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The 2003 season begins:
Art studio tours and
workshops start Saturday.

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reigns supreme for Mardi Gras –
before a record crowd.

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Bay High girls title game to be televised

Mississippi ETV will broadcast the Bay High Girls Basketball team's state championship game today at 6:30 p.m.

Clermont Harbor Civic Association to meet

The Clermont Harbor Civic Association will meet this Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the training room of the fire department. Featured speaker is Sue Chamberlain, consultant to the Hancock Board of Supervisors.

Blessing of the Fleet organizational meeting

The committee organizing the Blessing of the Fleet in Pass Christian will hold a meeting March 11 at 5 p.m. at the harbor master's office on the West Harbor. Anyone interested in helping the committee prepare for the April 27 event is encouraged to attend.

For more information, call 228-452-3315.

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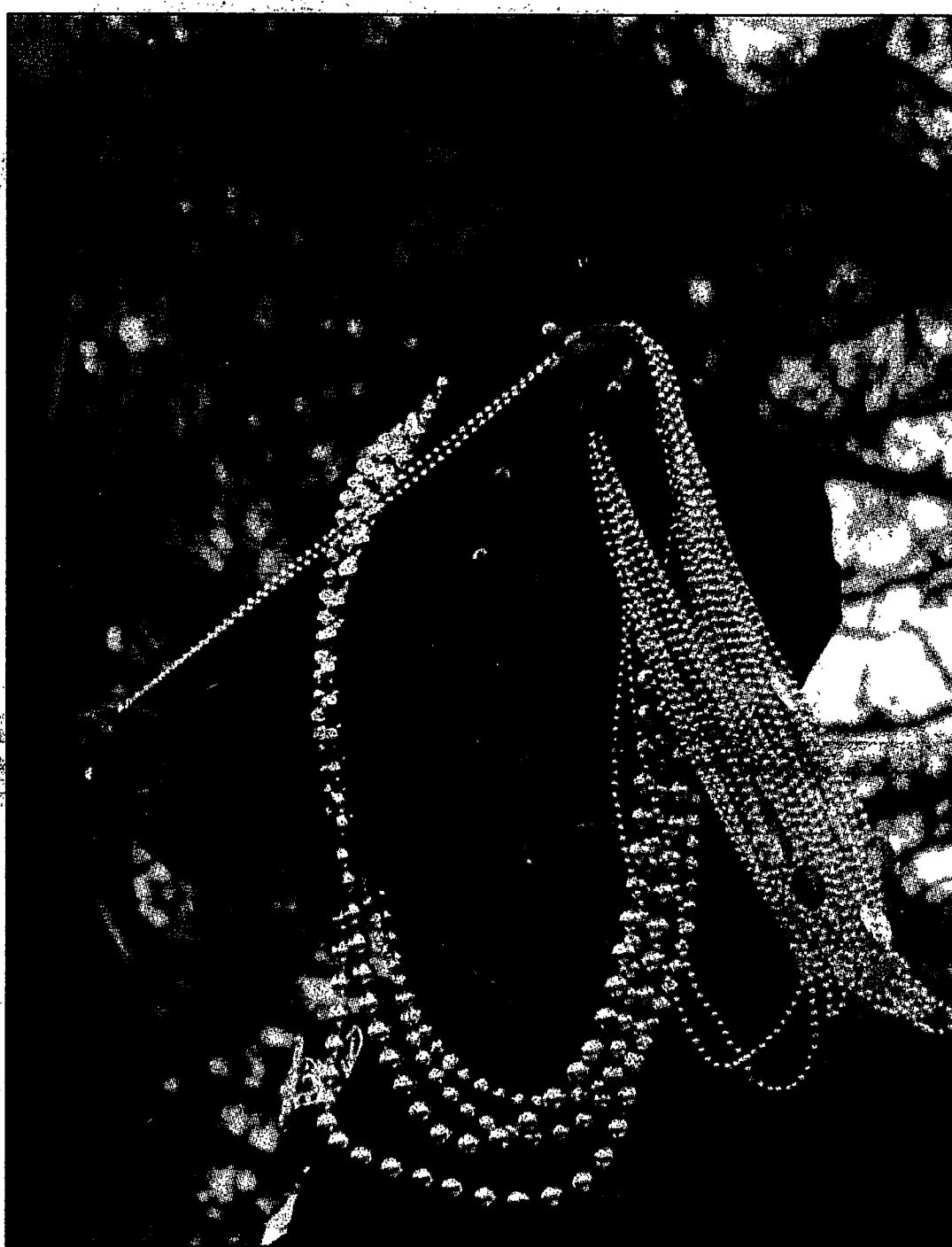
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THE BEAD GOES ON



Echo staff photos by Randy Ponder and Shannon Jenkins
The Krewe of Real People, led by grand marshal Tank Williams (seen below, left, with his dad Cleveland Williams), capped the Carnival season in Hancock County on Tuesday with its annual Mardi Gras parade. See page 10A for more photos.



Mardi Gras a big success for the Coast

Both merchants and police say the 2003 season was bigger and better

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

As we trade in our purple, green and gold beads for cabbages and shamrocks and head towards St. Patrick's Day (less than two weeks away), local business owners and law enforcement officials have given a glowing review of this year's crowds.

Mardi Gras always brings an increase in business," said Cathy Kleinschmidt at the Waveland Holiday Inn. "But out of the many years that I have been here this year was the best so far in my opinion."

Director of the Hancock County Board of Tourism Beth Carriere said her office still doesn't have final



Mounted police officers were a new addition to the Hancock Mardi Gras parade scene. Police say the horses provide them with many advantages in crowd control. Pictured is Bay St. Louis police officer Ray Murphy, who was on patrol during Nereids.

numbers from hotel tallies, but "the office received many more telephone calls from people out of the area and even out of the state wanting information on parades and schedules. Inquires were up from last

CARNIVAL--PAGE 7A

One more candidate drops from local races

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

State and local elections should be heating up in coming weeks with most incumbents being challenged in the primaries and general election.

The primary elections are scheduled for Tuesday, August 2, followed by run-offs if necessary on August

23. The newly formed Justice Court Judge seat in Hancock County is now down to six candidates with the withdrawal of Burt Johnson this week.

Of the local candidates, only Timothy A. (Tim) Kellar, chancery clerk and

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Pass teen optimistic about search for kidney donor

Durant due for yet another in long line of surgeries

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Penny Durant is a happy soul. Her smile is wide, and her spirit is high. She has a loving, close-knit family composed of a mother, a brother and a sister-in-law. She loves to shop and play on her computer.

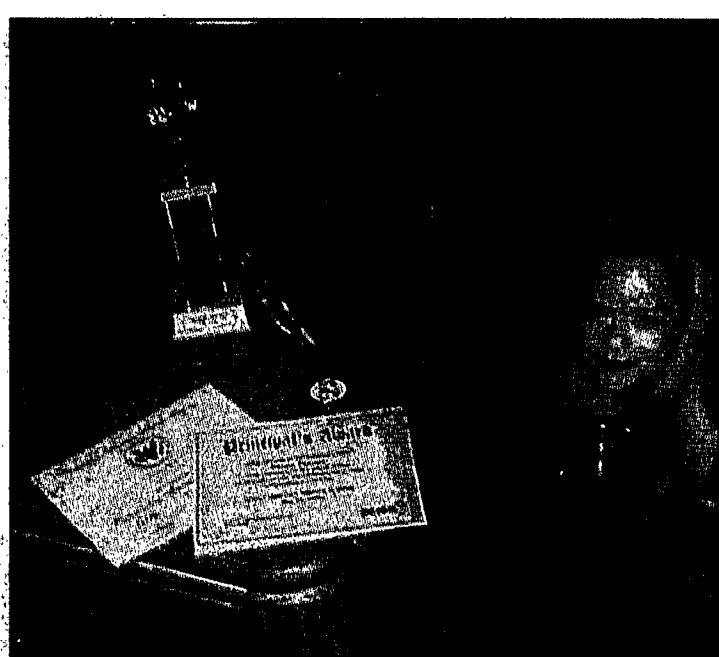
Life for this 18-year-old young

woman from Pass Christian, however, is not full of only trips to the mall and hours on the Internet.

Her days are filled, rather, with doctors' appointments and pain. She takes 18 different types of medicine.

On March 10, Penny will have her ankles fused because her cartilage has been eaten away. Her surgeon

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Penny Durant sits on her Pass Christian living room floor surrounded by the awards she received in school. Durant is desperately searching for a kidney donor.

Echo staff photo by Shannon Jenkins

City's support of art an economic investment

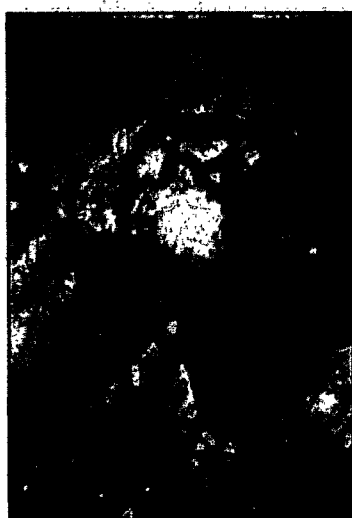
BayArts 2003 begins with studio tours

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Bay St. Louis, home to an ever-developing community of artist and artisans, has been nationally recognized among the top ten communities in the country supporting the arts. The BayArts 2003 studio tours, scheduled for Saturday, March 8, is an opportunity to look inside the studios of nine of the city's most well known artists, all members of the BayArts 2003 faculty.

Photographer Sandra Russell Clark; painters Kat Fitzpatrick, Sory Yager and Kathe Calhoun; printmaker Gwen Impson; ceramic artist Talle Johnson; papermaker Vicki Niolet, visual artist and educator Victoria Tackett; and mosaic designer Elizabeth Veglia will open their studios from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Local galleries and shops will join the tour at noon with receptions and exhibits featuring the artistry of Bay St. Louis.

"The city looks at the arts as a real and practical part of our economic well-being," said Mike Cuevas, director of the Bay St. Louis Division of Cultural Affairs. "Promoting and supporting the arts is as



Art by Kathe Calhoun



Art by Sory Yager



Art by Kat Fitzpatrick

important to us as the development of any industry or business we have."

BayArts 2003 is the second installment of the continuing BayArts program that began last year. Historically, the city has played a role in special events featuring the arts, said Cuevas. In the early '70s there was the Beachfront Festival followed by the Place of Art and, currently, the Second Saturday Artwalk series, hosted by the Old Town Merchants.

The BayArts format of studio tours and workshops is expanded this year to include faculty members conducting workshops throughout March.

For more information, contact Mike Cuevas at the Bay St. Louis historic

depot, 1928 Depot Way, or call (228) 467-7120.

BayArts 2003 Studio Tours and Faculty Workshops
Sandra Russell Clark, Photography
Studio Tour: 119 Sycamore Street
Workshop: March 14, 15, and 16

Kat Fitzpatrick, Painting
Studio Tour: The Bay St. Louis Depot, 1928 Depot Way
Workshops: Human Figures - March 22 and 23
Mixed Media Magic - March 29 and 30

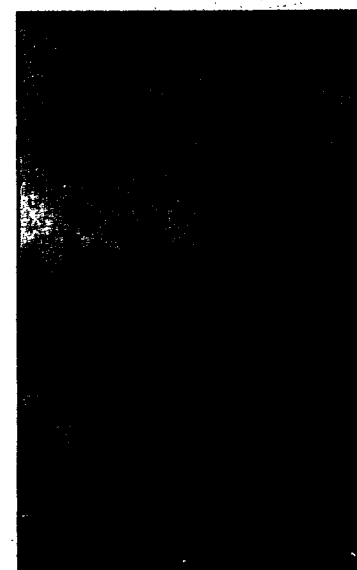
Gwen Impson, Printmaking
Studio Tour: The Turquoise Turtle, 511 Ulman Ave.

Workshop: March 20-23

Talle Johnson, Ceramics
Studio Tour: Bay Clay Studio, 310 Old Spanish Trail
Workshops: March 21 and 22

Vicki Niolet, Papermaking
Studio Tour: The Lumberryard Art Center, 299 S. Second Street
Workshops: Basic Papermaking - March 22
Oriental Papermaking - March 29

Victoria Tackett, The Creative Process
Studio Tour: The Lumberryard Art Center, 299 S. Second Street
Workshop: March 22-23 and April 26-27



Art by Sandra Russell Clark

Elizabeth Veglia, Mosaics
Studio Tour: 209 N. Second Street

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Sory Yager and Kathe Calhoun, Watercolor Painting
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Shoreline resident found bashed in head

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Hancock County Sheriff's Investigators have been busy since Saturday morning, trying to solve what happened to Shoreline Park resident, David Burgess, 38, who was found by his brother on the floor of his home, Sheriff Steve Garber said Wednesday afternoon.

Garber said, "The department received a call approximately 9 a.m. Saturday from a brother of Burgess, who reported a possible medical emergency."

Sheriff's deputies responding to the call were, Thylus Ladner, Kent Malley and Chad Barnett, who found Burgess unconscious on the floor. Garber said.

Investigator Rita Blaize-Watson, who to the scene said, "Mr. Burgess was transported to an area hospital where he underwent emergency surgery and was still unconscious on Wednesday in a critical condition."

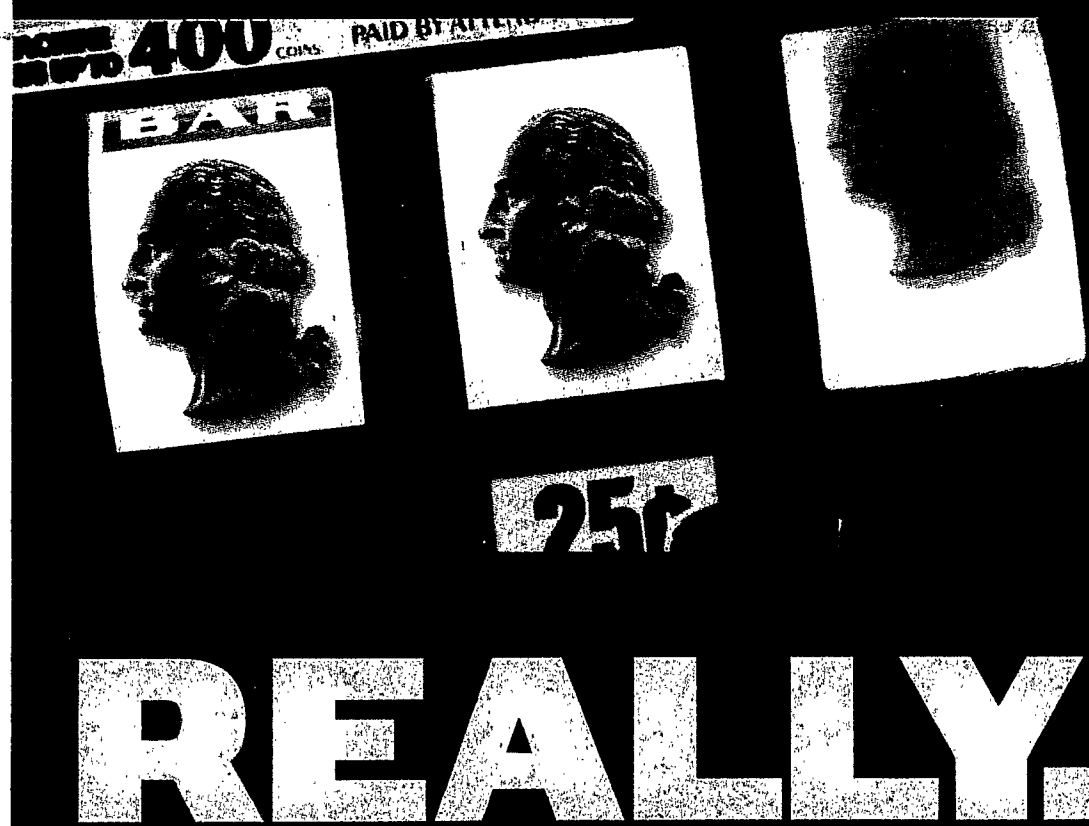
"The victim was found on the floor with a large wound to the side of his head and a pool of blood was on the floor. It appeared he was struck in his head with an unknown blunt instrument" Watson reported.

Garber said the investigation thus far has been able to determine that Burgess was at the Circle K, Waveland, around 1 a.m. Saturday with a flat tire. The sheriff's office would like the person who drove up to help, or anyone else who may have seen him then, or later to please call the sheriff's office at 467-5101.

"The person who drove up to help Burgess was a white male with dark hair. He was in a large older model pickup truck with a gray primer color with the driver's door a different color," Watson said.

Hancock Investigator Kenny Hurt is also assisting Watson in the investigation.

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St. Rose de Lima annual Lenten Revival

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St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church announces Our Annual Lenten Revival on March 10th, 11th, and 12th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM each night at the church located at 301 South Necaise Avenue in Bay St. Louis. The overall theme for the revival is "It's Time to Come Out." All are invited to attend. For more information call the church office at 467-7347.

Fr. R. Tony Richard will be the revivalist. He is a Priest for the Archdiocese of New Orleans and is the Pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish and St. Philip the Apostle Parish in



Father R. Tony Richard

New Orleans. Fr. Tony is proud to be on fire with the Power of the Holy Spirit. As

is evident in his faith-filled presentations, he is committed to a steadfast journey to God's Kingdom. While sharing his faith, he invites others to join him on this journey. His joy and excitement in being a Christian and member of the Roman Catholic Church are quite contagious. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, his enthusiasm spreads like wildfire.

Fr. Tony is the Past-President of the National Black Catholic Seminarians Association and has held positions on several diocesan and national boards. He currently holds a position on the Archdiocesan

Presbyteral (Priest) Council and on July 1, 2002 was appointed as the Archdiocesan Liaison for African-American Vocations to the Priesthood.

He has given keynote addresses, retreats, revivals, and youth talks across the nation. He is a native of New Orleans and a proud graduate of Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary School and St. Augustine High School. He is a former New Orleans Public School teacher who holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Xavier University and a Master of Divinity degree from Notre Dame Seminary

WCA ready for St. Patrick's Day Parade

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Mardi Gras may be over, but the Waveland Civic Association is making sure the fun isn't.

The WCA will sponsor its annual St. Patrick's parade next Saturday, March 15, beginning at 2 p.m.

Application forms are still available for anyone who would like to participate.

All entrants must fill out an application. Applications must be received by the Waveland Civic Association by the March 13 deadline.

There will be first, second and third place trophies awarded in all categories. Categories include family floats, organization/business floats, bands and marching groups.

In addition, all floats will be judged and awarded trophies for most original, overall, best show, best costume and honorable mention.

The entry fee for family floats is \$40 and organization/business floats \$75.

For an application or additional information contact Jay Fountain at 467-2198.

The WCA has also selected its colleen and grand marshal for the event.

Heather Burge, Colleen

Heather, 16, is an honor roll student in the eleventh grade at Bay High School. She is a recipient of the Who's Who Award, the U.S. National Mathematics Award, All American Scholar Award, National Leadership and Service Award, and she was selected to attend the Congressional Student Leadership Conference.

The student body elected her as 9th, 10, and 11th grade class representative for Student Council. She has been a member of the Interact Club for three years and was elected event coordinator and vice-president for the club. She has also served as vice-president and president of the Spanish Club, and has been a member of SADD.

Heather has played volleyball four years, softball two years, soccer one year and was part of the basketball team for two years.

She is a volunteer with the American Red Cross, where she assists at blood drives and during disasters. She is also a mentor with the Big Tiger/Little Tiger program.

He has also volunteered for the Special Olympics, Gates to Success, and the



The Waveland Civic Association's colleen, Heather Burge, and grand marshal Jerry West.

annual beach cleanup.

This is her third year to be selected for the Waveland Civic Association's St. Patrick's Ball. Heather is the daughter of Douglas and Bertina Burge; and the granddaughter of Roland Necaise, Bert Necaise and Anna Mae Warfel, all of Bay St. Louis; and the late Melvin Burge.

"I am very proud of my Irish heritage," Heather said, "and to be representing all Irish-Americans for this special occasion. My family has a very long history of participating in the Waveland Civic Association St. Patrick's festivities, and I'm honored to carry on this family tradition."

Jerry West, grand marshal

If you're reading this article, you're probably already familiar with him and the degree to which he's active in the Bay-Waveland community.

As his sister says, "After all, you can't go to Wal-Mart when Jerry is working without being greeted and asked about your family, and - if you're lucky - how your truck is running."

An abridged list of the many activities Jerry is involved in: He's a member of the WCA, the Knights of Columbus and the Sons of the American Legion; he volunteers annually for the OLG Crab Fest, OLA International Food Fest, the WCA fishing rodeo and haunted house, the Wal-Mart haunted house and serves as Santa Claus for

the South Mississippi Regional Center in Long Beach each Christmas.

He is an Eagle Scout from Troop 210, and third-and-fourth degree Knight, chairman of the Tootsie Roll drive for the Knights of Columbus and an usher for St. Clare Catholic Church.

Jerry has been employed with Wal-Mart for the past five years. He attended St. Clare Elementary, Hancock High School and the Jackson County College Independent Living Program.

If you speak to Jerry, he'll likely tell you he's a "red-neck and proud of it."

Nothing pleases him more than a Harley-Davidson t-shirt and a rebel flag bumper sticker. Mixed with his stars and bars dream is some green Irish blood, however - his grandparents, Catherine McQueeney and Edward Sweeney, were first generation Irish in the Washington, D.C. area.

Leprechauns are known for their pots of gold and magical tasks, and Jerry, in more ways than one, is a miracle and blessing to his family and to the community. In his family, he's the leprechaun that says "we'll make it" when everyone else is discouraged. And his role is similar in the community - he's the local leprechaun that dreams and keeps people smiling; the pot of gold at the end of Waveland's pier; the Irishman with the rebel flag bumper sticker.

Peace Rosary scheduled at OLG this Friday

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER Staff Writer

A Peace Rosary will be held at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church on Friday March 7 at 7 p.m. The service is the second in a series of Peace Rosaries to be held each first Friday of the month at the church.

One of the organizers, Joanne Hille, said that the first Rosary, held on February 7 was a great success, with over 150 people in attendance.

The service is for people of all denominations however, Hille said. And all people, not just Catholics are invited to attend.

Before the service begins, those in attendance will be given the opportunity to enter the names of friends and family serving in the armed forces into a book at the church entrance. The book will then be placed at the feet of Our Lady before the Rosary begins.

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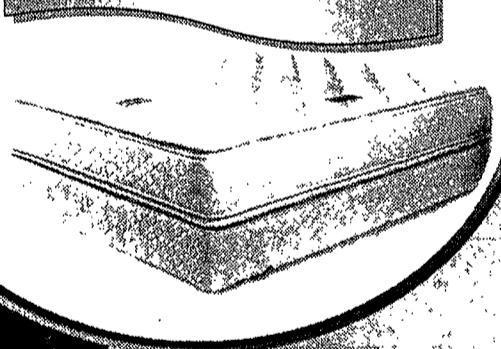
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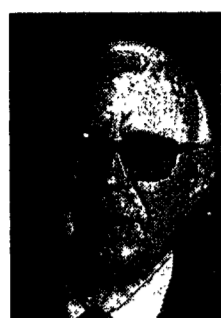
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Tonight the Bay High Lady Tigers will be going for the State 4-A basketball title in Jackson.

The Lady Tigers, at 34-1 for the season, will be challenged by Canton for the title this evening at 6:30 p.m.

And, the great news is that the game is scheduled to be aired live on Mississippi Education TV at 6:30 p.m.

We wish the Lady Tigers the best tonight and hope many will be watching the game.

As the spring season approaches, many folks start thinking about cleaning up their yards, homes, etc.

The Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Beautification Committee, at this time is encouraging everyone do a special clean-up on Saturday in preparing for the upcoming annual Spring Pilgrimage.

We will have hundreds of visitors to our area for the Pilgrimage, and we need to set our best foot forward to welcome them.

Check around your yards, drainage ditches and sidewalks in your area; collect the litter and that is a good start.

By everyone helping, we can eliminate litter in our community.

Business owners need to make sure they also do their part in making sure their parking lots, etc., are litter free.

Thanks to everyone for doing their part.

Well, the weather held up on Mardi Gras Day for the Krewe of Real People.

I had some doubts about the rain ending before the parade on Monday evening, and the rains continued to fall.

Even though it was cloudy at parade time, it did not dampen the spirits of the Real People Krewe and spectators.

Some sure got their spots a long time before parade

time, which was good.

Hopefully everyone had an exciting time at the parade.

Just when one thought all the parades are behind us, there is one more big one to come.

That will be the Waveland Civic Association's Annual St. Patrick's Day parade on Saturday, March 15, in Waveland.

A lot of cabbage can be expected as well as other throws from the big St. Patrick's Day parade.

The parade begins at 2 p.m., and according to association president Jay Fountain, applications are now being taken for parade participants.

There will be first, second and third place trophies awarded in each category. Categories include, family floats, organization/business floats, bands and marching groups.

There will also be trophies for most original, overall best show, best costume and honorable mention.

Entry fee is \$40 for family floats and \$75 for organization/business floats.

Entry deadline is by March 13. For applications, or further information, contact Fountain at 467-2198.

I keep hearing and reading about the numerous scams around, and it seems folks are seeing more and more since the Internet came along.

Earn extra cash seems to be the phrase many use.

Some will give you a telephone number to call to take your name off the database and there may even be a charge for the call.

Folks really need to be on the alert for scams, because are folks out there who would like to get their hands on your money, especially those out of the U.S.

If it sounds like it is too good to be true, there is a great chance of not being true.

Congress appropriates \$34 million to modernize voting system in Mississippi

Remember the 2000 presidential election debacle in Florida, the national outrage over hanging chads, dimpled ballots and primitive punch-card voting devices that made us look like a third-world country?

And remember that the new Congress in 2001 vowed to quickly fix the broken system and give states the wherewithal to junk antiquated voting equipment and computerize their statewide voter record base?

Well, more than two years later HAVA (Help America Vote Act) has passed, and finally in recent weeks money was appropriated by Congress to send some down to the states.

More important—from a Mississippi standpoint—\$34 million has been promised to modernize voting down here in Magnolia-land.

But before we can get the cash there's one hitch: Our esteemed state legislators must pass a necessary compliance act containing provisions required in the federal act.

If you would think this is a slam-dunk, you would be wrong. Just as with the federal Motor Voter Law of a

few years ago, some funny things happen along the way to detour getting a compliance act on the books. There's been no legislative controversy over the language to install the necessary compliance machinery, however once again, as in the Motor Voter stalemate back in the 1990s, Republicans' insistence that it also require voters to present one of a specified type of I.D. at the polls, has reared its head and become a sticking point.

Unless the necessary HAVA compliance bill is passed, we stand virtually no chance of getting the \$34 million from the feds to give

us state-of-the-art voting machines and finally get a uniform statewide computerized voter registration data base.

Here's the real kicker in the HAVA: Even if we don't get the \$34 million from the feds, we are still mandated by the law to get rid of obsolete voting equipment and establish a uniform statewide computerized voter base in the Secretary of State's office.

As of this week, one compliance bill (SB 2821) had gotten half way through the Legislature. The Senate passed it, but with a string of amendments relating to a Voter I.D. provision in it. SB 2821 had to clear the House Elections Committee by early this week or die under a deadline.

Earlier in the 2003 session, the House's own bill on

HAVA compliance became impaled on a parliamentary ruling by House Speaker Tim Ford involving a voter I.D. amendment by Republican Rep. Bill Denny of Jackson that resulted in the death of the whole measure.

Doubtless, the House Elections committee will bring forth its own version of the Senate bill, in particular on the voter I.D. part. If the full House then passes it, the stage will be set for a joint House-Senate conference showdown.

Why does putting into the law a requirement for voters to show some specified type of identification raise such hackles in the Mississippi Legislature?

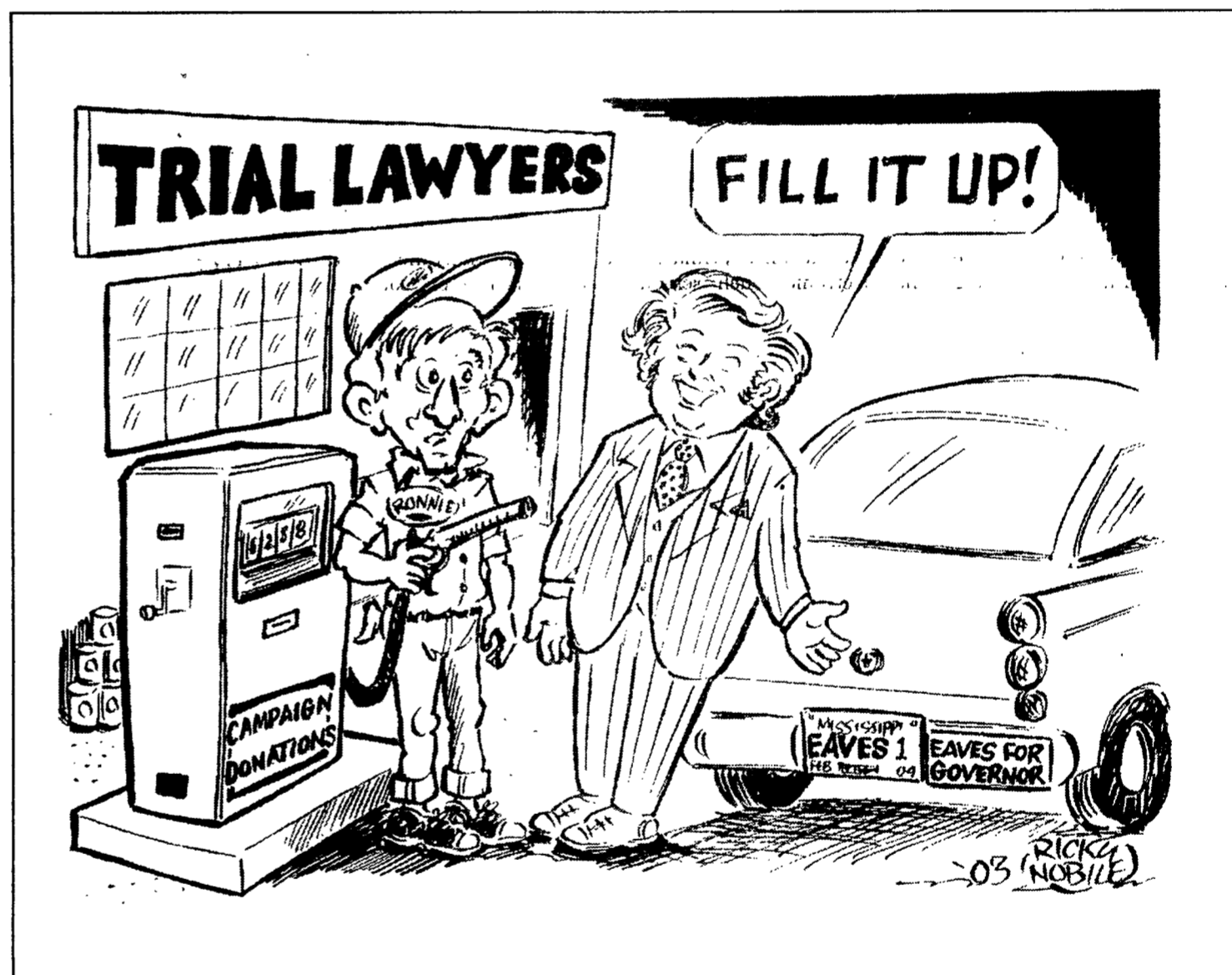
It's because in Mississippi any new voting encumbrance re-ignites memories among black legislators of the bad old days when the "black code"—the poll tax, the "read and understand" constitutional

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Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor



La., Miss. loses all Amtrak service under Bush plan

GUEST EDITORIAL FROM LARP

Louisiana and Mississippi will lose all intercity passenger rail service under President Bush's proposed transportation budget. The FY 2004 budget slashes Amtrak funding for its long-distance trains, effectively eliminating these services. Targeted by the Administration are the region's Sunset Limited, Crescent, and City of New Orleans routes.

"Our only rail passenger service comes from long-distance trains. If Amtrak goes away, our region will have no passenger trains left," says John Sita, president of the Louisiana Association of Railroad Passengers (LARP).

There is strong public desire for maintaining and even expanding rail passen-

ger routes. The U.S. Conference of Mayors' survey in 2000 said there was extensive sentiment in support of passenger trains. Two recent nationwide polls have shown 70% support for continued government investment in Amtrak. And in a recent CNN Poll, 82 percent said "yes" to the question: "Is Amtrak worth another \$2 billion dollars a year in taxpayer money?"

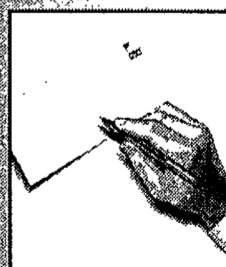
"President Bush's budget eliminating these cross-country routes is based upon misleading and idealistic cost savings," Sita said. "The method the administration used to compute these huge perpassenger loss figures is highly misleading. Most of the savings the administration claims by canceling routes would be unrealized."

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Letters to the Editor

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The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



dation of our existing Amtrak service, the development of higher speed train services will be more difficult and expensive. The Southern Rapid Rail Transit Commission (SRRTC) is now studying faster, more-frequent passenger rail services for the two states. Amtrak trains provide "a foot in the door" for implementing the SRRTC plans, LARP said.

Continued federal investment in Amtrak's long-distance routes will have the

effect of maintaining mobility and travel choice, providing critical links to many areas of our two states lacking in public transportation, offering a viable transportation alternative to over-crowded airports and dangerous highways, and ultimately saving human lives.

LARP is a nonprofit, educational organization founded in 1980 to advocate improved intercity passenger rail and urban transit services.

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Coast sailors shine in Mardi Gras Regatta

New Orleans Yacht Club over the weekend of Feb. 22 and 23 hosted the annual two days of racing in the Mardi Gras Regatta.

The winds on Lake Pontchartrain during the first day of racing on Saturday were too much for all but the big boats to handle.

The PHRF boats and J 30's ventured out in the heavy weather, and some returned soon after leaving the protection of the harbor. Some others wished they hadn't continued after suffering shredded sails, equipment failure, a T-bone collision, and the effects of very rough seas on the crews.

Sunday brought plenty of sunshine, comfortable temperatures, and ten to fourteen knot winds with moderate seas, a picture perfect day for sailboat racing. The race committees on the four courses were busy getting in as

many races as possible for the fleets that had their races canceled on Saturday.

The Bay-Waveland Yacht Club Capdevielle team of Kippy Chamberlain, Marcus Eagan and Andrew Eagan placed second overall in a three race series. Andrew Eagan took their Flying Scot to a first place finish in one of the races, Chamberlain got a second in another, and Marcus Eagan a fourth after being over the line at the start.

The team from Southern Yacht Club took first overall with finishes of 1, 2, and 3, and the Buccaneer team finished third.

Zak Fanberg and crew Sarah Taylor from Bay-Waveland took top honors in the Vanguard 15 class with no worse than a second place finish in the seven race series. Hank Saurage, SYC, with crew Jen Cruz, Bay-Waveland, finished second,

Keith Andrews from SYC finished third, Gilly Chamberlain from Bay-Waveland was fourth, and Bishop Stieff from Bay-Waveland took fifth, in spite of his boat taking on water in the hull cavity because he forgot to insert the plug.

A week earlier Fanberg competed against fifty-three other boats in the seven race series of the J-22 Midwinter Championship. He finished third overall.

The Sunfish class sailed five races with Ryan Hamilton, the up and coming junior from Pontchartrain Yacht Club winning first place. Alex Boudreaux from Bay-Waveland sailed well and took second place, Katja Riise from Pontchartrain Yacht Club was third, and Granston Boxx, Bay-Waveland, was fourth. Riise had already placed fifth overall and taken top junior honors in the Women's Sunfish

North American Championship that was sailed at the end of last year.

Bernie Wolfe from Bay-Waveland, with crew Chuck Boudreaux and Clark Wolfe, won first place for the second consecutive year in the Flying Scot open fleet with three bullets. Ken Wink from Southern Yacht Club took second, and the Carpenters from Pelican Yacht Club placed third.

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Democratic Executive Committee to host Fish Fry & Rally March 14

The Hancock County Democratic Executive Committee will host a Fish Fry and Rally to Meet The Candidates March 14 from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Hancock County Civic Center.

The Civic Center is located at 3068 Longfellow Drive in Waveland. The cost per fishplate is \$6 and will include salad and a side dish. Beverages can be purchased on site at an additional charge. Take-orders will also be available.

Democratic candidates

who have qualified in this year's statewide and local elections are encouraged to participate in this event as it will give them an opportunity to meet with the locals and county business leaders.

"It is especially important for these candidates to take advantage of this significant occasion to discuss their views on key issues affecting the community and state," said Betty Tolar, chairperson of the committee. "This is also a great chance for the community to

address their own particular needs and concerns. We anticipate this year's election to be extremely heated, with many of the races showing four or more candidates competing for each office."

This event will also afford the opportunity to enlist additional pollworkers to work the upcoming August and November 2003 elections.

For more information, contact Betty Tolar at 228-467-0350 or Tere Carlin at 228-586-1089.

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clause and other barriers--kept blacks from voting.

Secretary of State Eric Clark, who administers state voting laws and will be charged with implementing HAVA, is the prime mover behind getting the compliance bill enacted. Last week he was desperately working behind the scene to iron out a legislative voter I.D. compromise so the measure can pass.

Clark knows it is absolutely essential that the state get the \$34 million federal money for him to purchase the necessary computer hardware and software to uniformly link all 82 county voter rolls to a central register in his office. That's a basic requirement of HAVA.

"Without the federal funds, I don't know when we could install a centralized system," Clark said, "something that will help us clean up voter rolls, which is the most important thing we can do."

In recent years, on his own, Clark has identified from various death and postal records that as many as 141,000 names still carried on county voter rolls that should have been removed. But he lacked the power to remove them, having to rely on county election officials to do it.

A chunk of the anticipated HAVA funds to be administered by the secretary of state will provide matching money for counties to replace obsolete voting machines, most of all the punch card and mechanical lever types, which

are still in use in more than half of Mississippi's counties.

Some counties have already bought federally accepted machines, primarily the electronic touch screen devices. They stand to be reimbursed for a large part of the cost.

Hinds county, which has bought some 500 touch screen machines at a cost of \$1.4 million, is slated to get back \$480,000 under HAVA.

But Clark's immediate problem is getting the compliance bill through the Legislature, and that involves a tough sell on a voter I.D. compromise.

"Instead of folks calling each other names, we need all sides, in a bi-racial and bipartisan manner to sit down and work out differences on the I.D. issue," Clark declared.

"We need to get this compliance act passed now, in order to get in line for the federal money before other states beat us to it," he added.

Clark had already put Mississippi in good shape by having lawmakers pass enabling legislation in 2002 to set up a centralized computer voter base, but the new compliance measure, he said, is necessary to "fine tune" the system.

State Sen. Mike Cheney (R-Vicksburg) concurs on the urgency of reaching a compromise on the touchy I.D. issue and clearing the HAVA compliance bill.

"This state is in terrible

shape financially, and we absolutely can't afford to lose this \$34 million," he said.

More bad news: The same old voting machines that most Mississippi counties have been using will have to be cranked up again this year in statewide elections.



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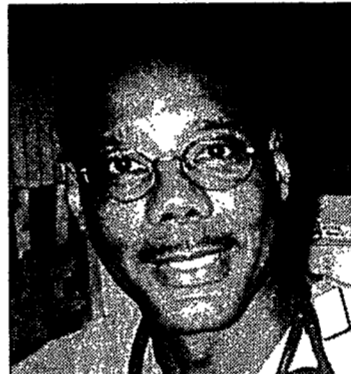
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must also take out some hardware that had been placed in her right ankle because it is about to poke through her skin.

Her mother, Tracy, expects the surgery should take up to three hours.

"On a scale of 1 to 10, and 10 being the highest, (the pain in my ankles) averages from a 6 to 10 some days," she said. "Weather conditions have a lot to do with it, too."

Seven days after her surgery, Penny will go on peritoneal dialysis, a procedure where a catheter is placed in the belly to filter the blood.

Penny already had surgery to have a feeding tube and a blood port installed in her body. This life of surgery and medication is all Penny has every known since her birth in Dallas, Texas.

Tracy said everything seemed normal about her daughter's birth. She weighed a healthy 6 pounds, 12-and-a-half ounces. She seemed fine.

But, by the time Penny was 11-months-old, she was only 11 pounds. She would-

Testing is free to see if potential donors have a kidney that is compatible with Penny's. The transplant would be paid for by Medicare. Anyone wishing to get tested may contact Penny through e-mail at pennymator@aol.com.

n't eat, and she was constantly thirsty.

Her pediatrician put Penny in the Children's Medical Center of Dallas and soon diagnosed her with cystinosis.

According to www.cystinosisfoundation.org, "cystinosis is a metabolic disease characterized by an abnormal accumulation of the amino acid cystine in various organs of the body such as the kidney, eye, muscle, pancreas and brain."

This disease robs Penny of important nutrients like potassium and calcium, which are lost in her urine.

After her diagnosis, Penny's pediatrician referred her to the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md.

"We made probably 10

trips in one year from Dallas to Maryland to get her medicine regulated," Tracy said. "They were doing urine collections to see if she was getting enough medicine or too much."

This was just the beginning of trips to the doctor for Penny and her family. They moved back to Mississippi, their home state, when Penny was 4-years-old.

She soon started school, where she became well-liked among her peers and eventually the class clown.

"I'm a practical joker," Penny said with a sly grin.

By the time Penny got to middle school, she could only attend classes for about three hours a day. She would come home, rest

and do her school work.

"Penny reads a lot and does a lot of research," Tracy said, "but, her body could never keep up."

Once she arrived at Pass High, Penny was excelling in English, reading, writing, social studies and science. Math was her only weak subject.

Because of her illness, unfortunately, Penny had to quit school. She, however, did not give up on furthering her education. She is currently being tutored in math so she can take her GED in April. Penny also plans to take medical terminology in March at Community Education in Gulfport.

Her main goal is to attend college so she can become a medical transcriptionist.

"After I get squared away with my kidney and my ankles, I want to go to college," Penny said.

She plans to attend the University of South Alabama or another local college and then go to medical school.

Until that day, Penny must continue with her normal routine of doctors' appointments and medication.

Six years ago, she started going to a nephrologist in Pensacola every six months. Three years later, her kidneys starting showing signs of getting worse because she was not getting enough electrolytes and potassium. She was also diagnosed as anemic. Her trips to Florida grew to every three months, and her medicine was also

increased.

Her decline in health brought several scares to Penny and her family.

One particular incident occurred about a year ago.

Around 4 a.m. one morning, Penny had trouble breathing. She got out of bed and began making her way to her mother's room. She passed out just as she reached her mother's bedroom door. The family dog, Homey, came to the rescue. He woke Tracy up by pulling the covers off her bed. Tracy rushed her daughter to the emergency room at Memorial Hospital. Penny was then transported to Florida. She had passed out because her calcium was very low, which lowered her oxygen level.

The family's string of bad luck continued through September of that same year when Tracy had a car accident. She was OK, but the accident left her with a car in need of repairs.

By then, the trips to Pensacola were putting a strain on the entire family. In February 2003, things got a little better.

Penny found a local physician, Dr. O'Gorman, at South Mississippi Kidney Center in Gulfport.

"We're very, very fortunate to have Dr. O'Gorman," Tracy said. "We just had to get someone local."

Now, Penny's sister-in-law, Rebecca, takes her and Tracy to see the doctor.

"I have a lot of family support, and I'm very grateful for that," Penny said.

She would be equally grateful for a new kidney.

On Jan. 24 of this year, Penny was placed on a transplant list at Tulane University in New Orleans.

Currently, she has no prospects for a new kidney. Her brother, Adam, was tested to see if his blood type matched Penny's, but he did not share his sister's A-positive blood type. Now, Penny's fate lies in the hands of an unknown donor.

"If I could get a new kidney, my medication would decrease from 18 to four," Penny said. "There'd be less doctor visits. I would have more time for myself and my education. I would be so grateful to get a kidney transplant."

Until she can receive that kidney transplant, Penny remains positive and occupies her free time with activities she enjoys.

She recently took up crocheting.

"Give me a ball of yarn, and I'll go at it," she said.

Penny, who stands 4-foot 7-inches and weighs 65 pounds, also embraces the humor she encounters in everyday life.

"When we go out to eat, she laughs when we get charged for her as a 12-year-old," Tracy said. "She gets a bang out of that."

Penny, however, particularly spends her time preparing and dreaming of college. She even jokes about playing tricks on her potential peers.

"When I go to college, I'm going to say I'm 12, and that I've graduated from high school already because I'm a genius," she said. "I think that would be funny."

THE HANCOCK HURRICANES



The Hancock Hurricanes Under 11's baseball team won a bid to the 2002 USSS A World Series and finished 21st out of 84 teams. The Hurricanes finished the season 26th out of 960 teams nationwide. They also have won a bid to the 2003 World Series in Overland Park, Ks. Presently, they are ranked number one in the nation and state, having won two tournaments last fall. Pictured are, front row, from left: Josh Peterson, Hunter Graves, Kyle Liberto, Tavoris Vaxter, Hunter Frierson and Dylan Favre; second row, Dalton Parker, Zander Romano, Colton Harmon, Anthony Lusco, Justin Maulden, Coleton Swilley and Christian Tillie. Back row: Coaches Ken Talley, Terry Frierson and Chris Liberto. Not pictured are Luke Gipson and Adam Frazier.

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Tommy Carver, Sr., justice court judge, district three are unopposed.

In the district level races, Cono Caranna, district attorney, district 2, and J.P. Compretta, state representative, district 122 are unopposed.

In Hancock County there will be two Independent candidates seeking a seat. Jerry L. Ladner in the race for supervisor, district one, and Madelione Prendergast seeking the new Justice Court judge, district two seat.

A line up of the respective candidates include the following:

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Carnival -- bigger and better

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year." Carriere said that even hotel head counts could not accurately gage the economic impact. But we assume that if people were here they were also out eating and shopping, she said.

One local restaurant, Little Rays on Hwy. 90, definitely saw their share of business.

"Business was real good, real good," said owner Ray Kidd. "As far as I'm concerned we had a real good Mardi Gras ... a lot of people from out of town having fun and spending money."

Kidd traditionally closes the restaurant the day of the Nereids parade to ride on a float with family members.

Even law officers seemed pleased with the crowds. "This was the biggest crowd we have ever had," said Waveland Police Chief Jimmy Varnell. "The crowd was pretty calm, a family atmosphere. We made about ten arrests during the parade for minor incidents, mostly fighting."

Waveland PD was joined by officers from Bay St. Louis, the Hancock County

Sheriff's Department, Gulfport and Biloxi the day of Nereids.

In Pass Christian, the St. Paul's Parade on Sunday drew around 65,000 to 70,000 spectators, said Pass Police Chief John Dubuisson. Police made between 25 to 27 arrests during the parade for incidents like public drunk, disorderly conduct and fighting - not many considering the number of people, he said. Arrests were up from about 19 last year.

In one more serious incident, a man was arrested on

drug charges and illegal possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Apparently a few shots were discharged, but Dubuisson said no one was hurt in the incident.

"Other than that, the parade went smoothly, he said.

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Ellis C. Cuevas, Committee Chairman of the Hancock Chamber's Beautification Committee announces a call for clean up countywide in Hancock County on Saturday, March 8.

"Each year, we stage a spring clean up to present a positive image for our community during the annual Pilgrimage season," Cuevas said. "Citizens are encouraged to take responsibility for a clean up in and around their own residences and places of business to help in the effort." The county will arrange for trash pick up in certain areas. For more information, contact Cuevas at 467-5473 or the chamber office at 467-9048.

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Obituaries

ALBERT BURNS
WAYNE DUCOMB SR.
ELLEN HEPWORTH
HAZEL MARY LADNER
HENRY MONTI JR.
BERTHA NECAISE
MSGT. GEORGE NELSON

ALBERT BURNS
 Albert George Burns, 69, died Tuesday, March 4, 2003, in Covington, La.

Mr. Burns was a native of New Orleans and a resident of Abita Springs, La., for the past 17 years. He was a member of St. Jane de Chantal Catholic Church in Abita Springs. He coached little league baseball with the Abita Recreation Center.

He was in the Alumni of St. Stanislaus in Bay St. Louis and the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Lea Burns. Survivors include his wife, Betty Vassalli Burns of Abita Springs, La.; a son, Albert G. Burns Jr. of Bogalusa, La.; three daughters, Debbie Burns Caraway of Destrehan, La.; Suzie Burns Grespo of Tulsa, Okla.; and Nancy Burns Sizer of Houston, Texas; two sisters, Charlea Burns Hedrick of Gulfport and Cathy Burns Thornton of Birmingham, Ala.; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation will be held today from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. The procession will leave the funeral home at 10:15 a.m. for a mass of Christian burial at 10:30 at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. The family prefers masses to be said.

WAYNE DUCOMB SR.
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Card of Thanks

The family of the late Angelique Bush Taylor wishes to thank you for the thoughtfulness and sympathy extended by our friends and neighbors during our recent loss. Our sincere thanks to all.
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Sr., 82, of Kiln, died Friday, Feb. 28, 2003, in Kiln from cancer.

Mr. Ducomb was a native of Woodville and a longtime resident of Kiln. He was chairman of the Hancock County Planning Commission, a retired president and co-founder of Mississippi Monitor Publications Inc., a WWII veteran and a Roman Catholic.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clifton and Laura Ducomb of Woodville; and two infant daughters, Laura and Kathleen.

Survivors include his wife, Nelwyn Morvant Ducomb; two daughters, Cheryl K. Ducomb of Boulder and Nelwyn Ducomb Foster of Atlanta; a son, Wayne Phillip Ducomb Jr. of Gulfport; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln. Burial followed in Bayou Coco Cemetery in Kiln.

The family prefers memorials to Hospice of Memorial Hospital in Gulfport, P.O. Box 1810, Gulfport, MS 39502, or The Hancock County Library in Kiln.

Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

ELLEN HEPWORTH

Ellen Hepworth, 80, died Tuesday, March 4, 2003, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Hepworth's body was sent from Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis to Macon Funeral Home in Franklin, N.C., for services and burial.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements.

HAZEL MARY LADNER

Hazel Mary Ladner, 85, died Tuesday, March 4, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Ladner was a lifelong resident of Hancock County. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dedeaux and a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband Russell Henry Ladner; parents Albert and Ovelia

Ladner, brothers Aaron, Clarence, Nelson, Horace, Clifton and Laverne Ladner; sisters Albertha and Olian Spiers, Mable Necaie, and Goldie Lee Ladner and grandsons Kendall Shiyou and Nicholas Ladner and great-granddaughter Haley Ladner.

She is survived by sons Billy Ray Sr., Kerman, Michael Sr., Paul Dwayne Sr. and Daron Ladner, all of Fenton; daughters Sarah Shiyou of Fenton and Amy Pavolini of Bay St. Louis; sisters Ester Ladner of Standard, Delores Puckette of Forest and Effie Cuevas of White Cypress; 20 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation will be Friday, March 7 from 5 p.m. to midnight at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis and at Sacred Heart Church in Dedeaux on Sat., March 8 from 9 a.m. till 11 a.m.

Services will be held on Sat., March 8 at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with burial to follow at Alphonse Malley Cemetery in Kiln.

HENRY MONTI JR.



Henry Monti Jr., 64, died Monday, March 3, 2003, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Monti Jr. was a native of Bay St. Louis and a lifelong resident of Waveland. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis. He retired from Whitney Bank and was a member of the American Legion Post No. 139 in Bay St. Louis and the St. Stanislaus Sideline Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Iva Randolph Monti Sr. Survivors include his wife, Carol Banderet Monti of Waveland; two sons, Henry Monti III and Paul J. Monti,

both of Waveland; five daughters, Michell M. Bardin of Marietta, Ga.; Melissa M. Morreale of Clearmont, Fla.; Kim S. Bourgeois, Sandy M. LaFontaine and Dione C. Ellington, all of Waveland; three sisters, Jeannette Purchner of Pass Christian, Myra Hirstius of Bay St. Louis and Faye Monti of Ocean Springs; 16 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Visitation will be held today from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. The prayer service will be held March 7 at 2 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will follow in the Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers donations to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 6358, Gulfport, MS 39506.

BERTHA NECAISE

Bertha Lizana Necaie, 90, died Wednesday, March 5, 2003, in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Necaie was a native of the Dedeaux Community and a lifelong resident of Kiln. She was a member of Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln. She was also a member of the Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post No. 58 in Kiln.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Laurent A. Necaie Sr.; three sons, Joseph, Vernon and Jessy C. Necaie; her parents, Louis R. and Maggie Malley Lizana; three brothers, Lavander, Clarence and Milton Lizana; and four sisters, Clara Ladner, Rebecca Cuevas, Aletha Moran and Veronica Ory.

Survivors include four sons, Merlin J. "Shorty" Necaie, Harold F. Necaie, Gerald L. Necaie, all of Kiln, and Laurent A. Necaie of Diamondhead; a daughter, Deloris Necaie Baumann of Slidell; 25 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Friday, March 7, from 7 to 10 p.m. with recitation of the rosary at 8 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. The procession will leave the funeral home at 9:15 a.m. on March 8 for a mass of Christian burial at 10

a.m. at Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln. Interment will follow at Bayou CoCo Cemetery in Kiln.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers donations to Odyssey Hospice, 9413 Three Rivers Road, Gulfport, MS 39503.

MSGT. GEORGE NELSON

Msgr. George E. Nelson, (U.S.A.F. Retired), 55, died Monday, March 3, 2003 in Gulfport.

Mr. Nelson was a native of New Orleans and a long time resident of the Gulf Coast. He was a graduate of Christopher Newport College in Newport News, Va. He retired as a Master Sergeant from the U.S. Air Force, having served during the Viet Nam War. He was employed with Northrop-Grumman at Keesler Air Force Base. He was an active member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Pass Christian.

He is survived by his wife, Judith Weysham Nelson of Pass Christian; two sons, William H. Nelson of Eaton, N.J. and Joshua M. Nelson of San Diego, Calif.; four step-children, Charles Walker Saussy of Lafayette, La., Suzanne Saussy of St. Michaels, Md., Stephen Duncan Saussy, Jr. of New Orleans and Ann Marie Saussy-Keel of Covington, La.; a sister, Jan Nelson Key of Kenner, La.; two brothers, Chris E. Nelson and Gerard E. Nelson, both of Kenner, La.; and his parents, George E. Nelson Sr. and Thelma Geerken Nelson of Kenner, La.; and 11 grandchildren.

Services will be at 12 p.m. today at St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian where friends may visit an hour before the service. Burial will be in Biloxi National Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to St. Vincent de Paul Society, C/O St. Paul Catholic Church, 140 E. Beach Blvd., Pass Christian, MS 39571.

Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.

USM Honor Rolls

Five students from Bay St. Louis were named to the University of Mississippi Chancellor's Honor Roll for the fall semester.

A grade point average from 3.75 through 4.0 is required of full-time students carrying at least 12 semester hours for listing on the Chancellor's Honor Roll.

The students were Ryan Chase Sackett, Charles Edwin Yow, Leslie Wayne Sackett, Alison Marie Schulz and Sarah Michele Myers.

Three students from Bay St. Louis were named to the University of Mississippi Dean's Honor Roll for the fall semester.

A grade point average from 3.5 through 3.74 is required of full-time students carrying at least 12 semester hours for listing

on the Dean's Honor Roll.

Honor roll members include: Cassandra Sue Favre, Nathan Ashley Yow and Kim Jee Young Frazier.

Three students from Bay St. Louis were among 676 candidates for graduation from the University of Mississippi at the conclusion of the fall semester.

Of that number, 183 earned advanced degrees including 139 Master's, 19 Doctoral, 25 Juris Doctor and 0 Specialist degrees.

These students include Kristine Renee Debenport, Michael David Miner, Richard R. Mestayer and Jason Brooks Purvis.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Ingalls, union reps ordered back to keep negotiating, working

PASCAGOULA, Miss. (AP) - Federal mediators have ordered Northrop Grumman's Ingalls Operations and 13 unions back to the negotiating table to try to avert a strike at the Pascagoula-base shipyard.

The Pascagoula Metal Trades Council, which represents 7,000 workers, rejected a 42 month contract proposal Friday that raised salaries but called for workers to pay more for health care benefits.

The order to continue work came Saturday from Peter Hurtgen, the director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

It will keep workers on the job for 14 days under the terms of their current contract. The current contract was to have expired Monday at midnight.

"Anything the director does he does with the approval of the president of the United States," said John D. Harris, the federal mediator who has attended all the Ingalls negotiations.

Union leaders say workers are unhappy with three aspects of the company's offer - a \$3,000 bonus, high-

er premiums for health care and the percentage they would have to pay for prescription drugs.

Harris said the union leaders and company officials received the orders by fax on Saturday and will return to the table at Monday afternoon.

The order covers all 13 unions whether they rejected or approved the proposed contract. Negotiators call the 14 days a cooling off period, giving everyone a chance to rethink their options.

"Business agents will direct their members to work," said Harris. "They are to continue working."

Ingalls is owned by Los Angeles-based Northrop Grumman Corp., the No. 2 defense company in the country, which expects to have sales in 2003 of \$25 billion.

The company's Pascagoula-based ship systems operations, which includes yards in Pascagoula, Gulfport, New Orleans and Tallulah, La., represent about 11 percent of Northrop's business.

Credit union to hold membership meeting

Keesler Federal Credit Union's annual membership meeting for 2003 will be held at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center on Thursday, March 13th at 7pm. The credit union will conduct its annual business meeting and honor long-term employees. Cash and prizes will be awarded and all members are encouraged to attend and participate.

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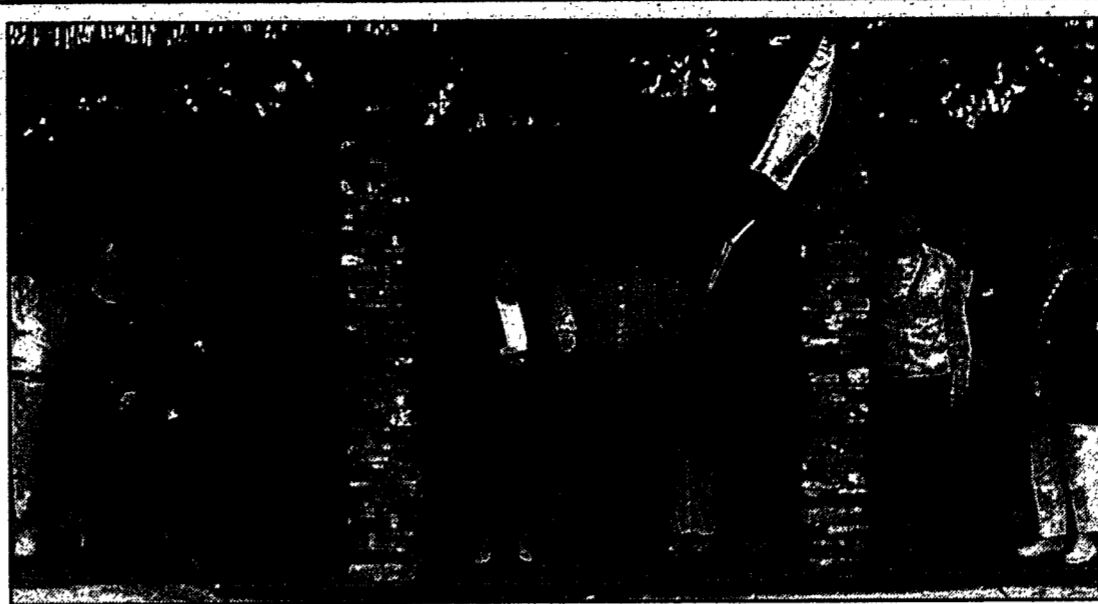
Hancock Holding Company announces dividend increase

Hancock Holding Company (Nasdaq: HBHC) has announced that the company's board of directors approved a regular first quarter 2003 common stock cash dividend of \$0.21 per share, a 5% increase over the fourth quarter 2002 regular cash dividend. The common stock cash dividend totaled \$0.80 per share for the year 2002.

Approved during Hancock's February 2003 joint Mississippi & Louisiana boards of directors meeting, the regular quarterly common stock cash dividend is payable March 20, 2003, to share-

holders of record as of March 10, 2003. Additionally, the board approved a Hancock convertible preferred stock cash dividend of \$0.40 per share. The quarterly preferred stock cash dividend is payable March 31, 2003, to Hancock Holding Company convertible preferred stock shareholders of record as of March 21, 2003.

Hancock Holding Company -- parent company of Hancock Bank (Mississippi) and Hancock Bank of Louisiana -- has assets of over \$4 billion.



Grand opening

Jackson Hewitt Tax Service held a grand opening ribbon cutting Friday, February 14 at 133 Davis Avenue, Pass Christian. In attendance were Karla Cotton, Nancie Brockway, Donna Webb, Rob Sims, Pass Christian Mayor Billy McDonald, Elsie Ballard, and owner Gale York. General manager Rob Sims and Pass Christian-Gulfport district manager Nancie Brockway were on hand as part of the Jackson Hewitt team gathered to meet and greet chamber members and friends. Local staff member Donna Webb, assisted by Karla Cotton, district office support and office supervisors Elsie Ballard of Broad Avenue and Elaine Powers from 729 Pass Road, Gulfport, served King Cake and beverages. The event was initiated and coordinated by chamber director Wilma Rizzardi and Jackson Hewitt Tax Service supervisor William Riels.

Chasez named office manager

Lynne Chasez, a native of Hancock County, has accepted the position of office manager for the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

"One of the number one priorities for the Chamber this year was to find, recruit and hire an experienced office manager," said Tish Williams, Director of the chamber. "There is no doubt, Lynne is the perfect fit," she said.

Chasez (pronounced Chas-a) has more than 25 years management experi-

ence with specific emphasis on bookkeeping and employee relations. She was part of the Winn Dixie system for 19 years, rising through the ranks to become a location manager, the first female in her district to serve in this position. She retired to be a full time homemaker and mother.

She returned to the work field six years ago and was bookkeeper and secretary for her church in Baton Rouge, where she held this position for six years. She has specific bookkeeping

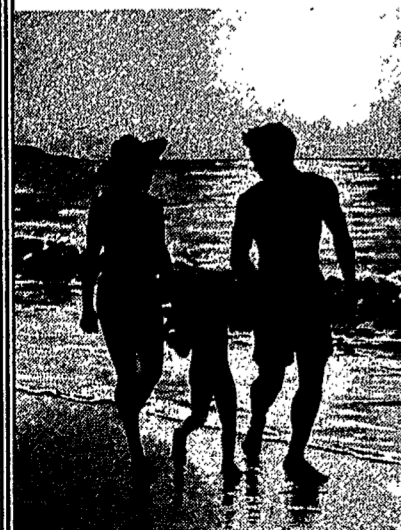
experience working for a Baton Rouge CPA firm and most recently at Best Pawn for the past two and one half years.

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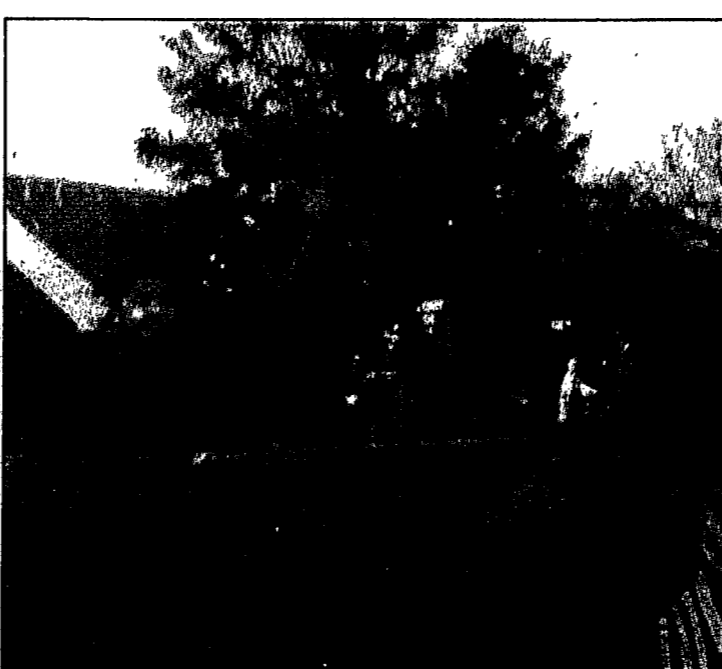
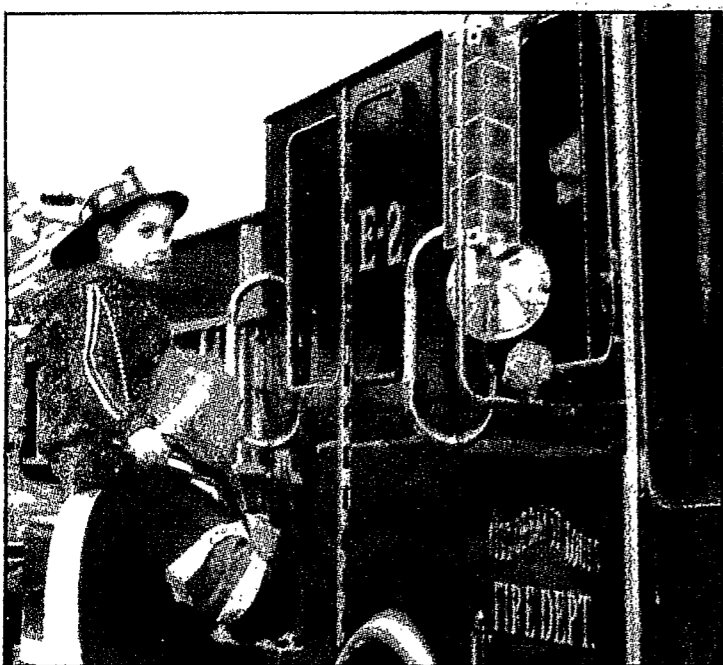
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Scenes from the Krewe of Real People parade in Bay St. Louis on Tuesday.
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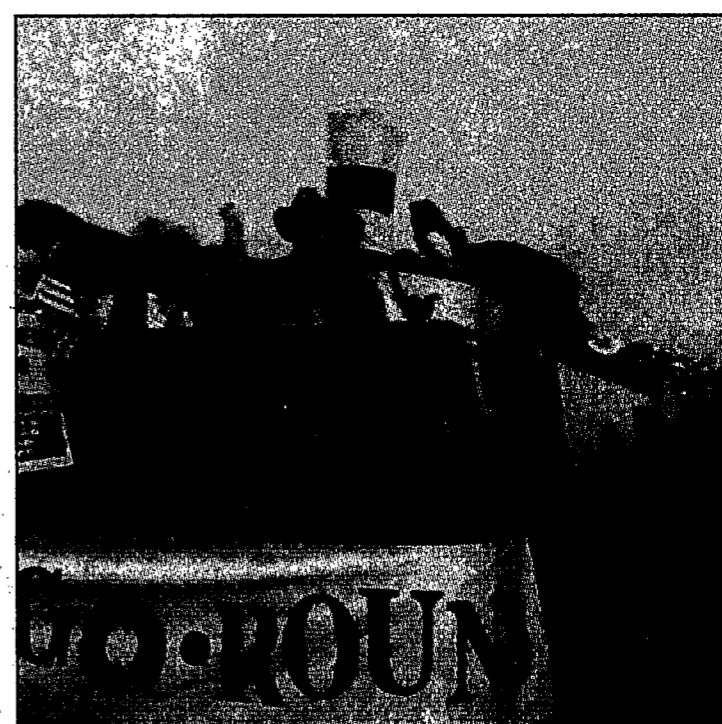


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Scenes from the St. Paul Carnival Association in
Pass Christian on Sunday, March 2.
Echo staff photos by Shamon Jenkins



SPORTS

PRCC Wildcats take two baseball doubleheaders

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Pearl River Community College's nationally-ranked Wildcat baseball team kept its undefeated record intact this weekend, pulling off a pair of doubleheader road sweeps over interstate rivals Shelton State and Beville State.

PRCC cracked 24 hits in the twin bill to sweep Shelton State 8-2 and 7-1 on Friday in Tuscaloosa, Ala.; then collected two more wins in Saturday with a sweep over Beville State in Sumiton, Ala., 7-2 and 9-2 to improve to 11-0 on the season. SSCC dropped to 3-6 with its losses, while BSCC dropped to 3-8.

In Friday's first game against Shelton, the hosts went up 1-0 in the bottom of the first and that narrow, one-point margin remained intact until the Wildcats came alive offensively in the fifth.

Pearl River took the lead 2-1 in the top of the fifth, then followed with three in the sixth, and two more in the seventh to ice its ninth victory of the season.

Chad Catalano (2-0) of Covington, La., was the winning pitcher in his six frames on the mound; striking out five and giving up all three hits to the hosts. He was relieved by Justin Harris of Poplarville in the final inning.

Thomas Royals of Lumberton paced PRCC's 12-hit attack with his first collegiate home run and two singles, while Rhyne Hughes of Picayune doubled and had two singles. Justin Gros of Oak Grove had a pair of singles, while Neil Favre of St. Stanislaus, Mark Muzzi of Madison Central, and Matt Riser of Picayune all singled.

Shelton finished with two doubles and a single and

used three pitchers in the contest.

In Friday's nightcap, the Wildcats went up 4-0 in the top of the first, but Shelton made it 4-2 in the bottom of the frame and that score remained intact through six innings before PRCC put it in the bag in the top of the final frame with four runs.

Nick Tisone (2-0) of Mandeville, La., picked up the win in his six innings on the mound; giving up all Shelton six hits, while striking out three. Daniel Clark of Columbia High relieved in the seventh.

Again, the Wildcats produced 12 hits, led by Gros' double and two singles. Royals and Favre added two singles each, while Hughes and Brad Wood of Oak Grove both doubled. Riser, Josh Abshier of Covington, La., and Justin Laxson of Clinton all singled.

In Saturday's first game

against Beville State, PRCC went up 1-0 in the top of the second; but BSCC rebounded with three runs in the bottom of the third to go up 3-1. The Wildcats tied it up at 3-3 in the top of the fifth, then iced the win with four in the top of the sixth.

Jeff Middleton (2-0) of Mobile was the winning pitcher in going the distance.

Abshier led PRCC's six-hit effort with a double and a single, while Gros added two singles and Hughes and Royals both singled.

Beville State, 2-1 and 7-4 losers in the Wildcats' Feb. 8 season openers in Poplarville, managed four singles and used two pitchers in the contest.

In the nightcap, PRCC again waited until the late innings to put the game away. The Wildcats went up 1-0 in the top of the second, but Beville tied it up in the

bottom of the fourth. Pearl River's three runs in the top of the fifth made it 4-1, but the hosts trimmed that lead to 4-2 in the bottom of the frame.

The Wildcats' five runs in the top of the final inning iced the victory.

Neal Cannon (2-0) of Petal was the winning pitcher in his five-and-two-thirds innings on the mound, while Hughes relieved in the sixth.

PRCC finished with seven hits, led by Riser's home run and single and Middleton's double. Favre, Gros, Royals, and Tisone all singled for the Wildcats.

Beville finished with six hits and used two pitchers in the game.

Pearl River travels to Chipola in Chipola, Fla., Thursday for a 2 p.m. nine-inning game.

The Wildcats host East Central Saturday in a 1 p.m. non-division doubleheader, then travels to Hinds in Raymond for a 2 p.m. non-division twin bill Tuesday, March 11.

Hinds visits Saturday, March 15, kicking off a six-game home stand for the Wildcats, including PRCC's South Division opener Tuesday, March 25, against Mississippi Gulf Coast.

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THE SEA COAST ECHO
CLINTON Pearl River
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Wildcats, fresh off winning
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eight years last week,
defeated Southwest
Mississippi for the third
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The missed shot opportunities for the Rocks were an aspect that haunted them the entire first half. SSC went 2-for-9 in the first quarter and 4-for-8 in the second quarter. However, despite making only six field goals in the first eight minutes, the Rocks were down only 28-15 at the break. That margin was thanks in part to some tremendous defense by SSC, especially on the Bulldogs' star player Monta Ellis. Ellis, a sophomore 6-3 guard, has received tremendous praise and is being mentioned as professional player after his senior year. But, the Rocks held him in check and way under his average for the game. Ellis only had 3 points in the first half and

SSC head coach Jay Ladrner commented, "Lanier whipped us in almost every phase of the game. They are a very physical team. The better team clearly won the game today. However, I am very proud of our team. They never quit all year. Late in the season, they lost two close games. The team showed their character these last three weeks of basketball. I am very proud of our seniors. Gabe Willis has had an obvious impact on our program. Our other seniors really pushed up the bar with their achievements. As ninth graders, these seniors won only a handful of

While the perfect game wasn't meant to be for SSC on Saturday afternoon, they should be very proud of the effort they put forth. The Rocks represented themselves, Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, and Class 4A with character.

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Three minutes later, Brown hit another trey to put PRCC up by eight, then Jonathan Williams of Stone County scored six straight points in a minute-and-a-half to build the Wildcats' pull away.

In earlier first-round action, Southern Shreveport defeated Mississippi Delta 95-88 in overtime to move into Wednesday's semi-finals at 1 p.m. against Northwest, which took an 87-62 win over Mississippi Gulf Coast on Monday.

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Diamondhead Performing Arts Society to present The Nicholas Payton Quintet

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Stakes are high when you're toasting the man many historians consider the most influential musician of the last century. But if anyone can handle the pressure of reworking the Louis Armstrong songbook, it's Grammy winner Nicholas Payton.

Payton will bring his abilities to Hancock County later this month as part of the Diamondhead Performing Arts Society's spring performances.

The show is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 16, at the Diamondhead Country Club.

Grammy award-winning

trumpeter Nicholas Payton, who grew up in Louis Armstrong's hometown of New Orleans and resembles the jazz giant physically as well as musically, is the obvious heir to Satchmo's legacy.

The 25-year-old Payton has gained a national reputation as a man who plays with the fervor of a newcomer while exuding the maturity of a seasoned performer band.

One of the brightest new trumpet stars of the 1990s, Nicholas combines references to his New Orleans heritage, the Young Lion's brand of hard bop, and a warm sound. Mr. Payton

was born in 1973, in New Orleans, Louisiana. His mother, Maria, was an operatic singer and a classical pianist. His father, Walter, is a respected bassist and retired school teacher. Growing up, Mr. Payton had thousands of records at his disposal as well as musicians coming around for rehearsals.

He began gigging at the age of eight with his father, eventually playing with All-Star Brass Band, a traditional jazz youth group.

Mr. Payton later enrolled at the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts, then studied with Ellis Marsalis at the University of New

Orleans. He went on to record with some of the most respected jazz artists performing today. He launched his recording career in 1995 with his debut album, *From This Moment* (produced by Delfeayo Marsalis).

He has since released 1996's *Gumbo Nouveau*, 1997's highly acclaimed *Doc Cheatham & Nicholas Payton*, an album of sublime collaborations with a hero and esteemed trumpeter, 1998's *Payton Place*, and 1999's *Nick@Night*.

For more information, call Pat or Bill Gudritz at 255-6049.

Diamondhead Brownies celebrate Native Americans



Diamondhead Brownie Troop 194 celebrated the spirit of Native Americans by using painted feathers and fabric paint to create "beads" to personalize T-shirts while earning an "Art to Wear" Try-it. Pictured (front row, left to right): Sara Luther, Amy Love, Sarah Boozer, Lauren Liebekemann and Emma McRaney; (back row) Camille Swanson, Kendall Ritten, Erin Matthews, Courtney Geroux and Faith Crawford.

Sports memorabilia leads the way at East Hancock auction

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
Staff Writer

A silent auction and dinner was held on February 7 at East Hancock Elementary school on Kiln-Delisle Road to benefit the school's various programs. The main draw of the auction was the section of sports memorabilia which was dominated by the recent success of some of Mississippi's finest football stars.

Signed memorabilia from stars such as Brett Favre, Eli Manning, Norman Hand, and Deuce McAllister helped bring in over \$726 dollars for the auction.

There were over 150 items donated from local

businesses and individuals. The auction tallied \$6,400 for the school.

A football signed by Green Bay Packers star quarterback and former Hancock North Central standout Brett Favre netted a cool \$350 in the auction.

A signed football by Ole Miss quarterback Eli Manning brought in \$130. A football signed by former Ole Miss greats and current New Orleans Saints Norman Hand and Deuce McAllister reeled in \$75. Other signed sports items were a football signed by Kyle Turley, a football signed by five Saints players, a framed photograph of Eli Manning, and a hockey

helmet signed by the Mississippi Sea Wolves.

Other items donated by local merchants and individuals were golf packages, boat cruises, romantic get-aways, jewelry, dinner packages, and class memorabilia.

Brendan Hegg, a fifth grader at EHE, won the "Principal for a Day" package. Hegg had the opportunity to make school-wide announcements, present awards to various students, visit different classrooms and gave well-behaved students Gator Tags.

In addition to the successful auction, a fabulous dinner was provided by Ricky and Tanna Adam.

Wholistic Wellness to meet Friday

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The next meeting of the Wholistic Wellness Network will be held on Friday, March 7, at the Mississippi Power Company conference room, 30th Avenue and Highway 90, Gulfport, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The featured speaker is Australian sound therapist, Phil Jones. His topic is "A Yoga of Breath and Sound" and will include a presentation of the didgeridoo, an ancient and sacred Aboriginal instrument.

All are welcome. There is no charge to attend. The Wholistic Wellness Network (WWN) is a national non-profit organization dedicated to growing healthy communities, providing education about high level health-care and integrating holistic and conventional care at all levels. Please join in our vision of creating one of the healthiest communities in the country. For information, please call Holly Hayden, 467-7285.

Locals on Loyola dean's list

Loyola University New Orleans announced its deans' list for the Fall 2002 semester for students completing the semester with a 3.5 grade point average or higher. Area students who make the deans' list are:

Christie Derussy of Diamondhead, Ms.

Mary Ladner of Pass Christian, Ms.

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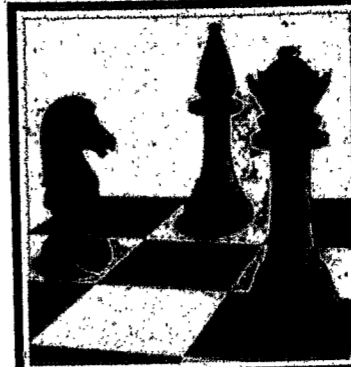
Hinds Community College scholars named for fall 2002

Hinds Community College Scholars - President's and Deans' List students have been named at Hinds Community College for the fall 2002 semester.

These students were honored in a Scholars Day program held on the Raymond Campus on February 20. President's List students

are those carrying a cumulative 4.0 grade point average, and Deans' List students are those with a 3.5 to 3.9 cumulative grade point average.

The following area students have been named on the Deans' list: Jonathan M. Reisch of Bay St. Louis and J.W. Rawls of Nicholson.



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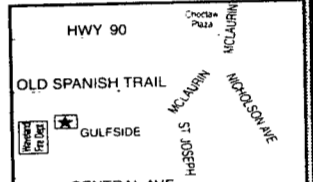
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Saturday, March 22, Time: 10am until 2pm

All tryouts will be held at the Elmwood Bourgeois Park (Waveland Little League Field) Central Avenue and Waveland Avenue in Waveland, for all ages 5 year old thru 14 year old. A player must reach the age of 5 before August 1,

and a player cannot reach the age of 15 before August 1. Players may also register at this time. A player, manager, coach, umpire or volunteers must have an application turned in before being on the field. Anyone interested in making a bid for: Concession Stand will be on March 6,

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Travis Tritt takes the stage at Casino Magic BSL

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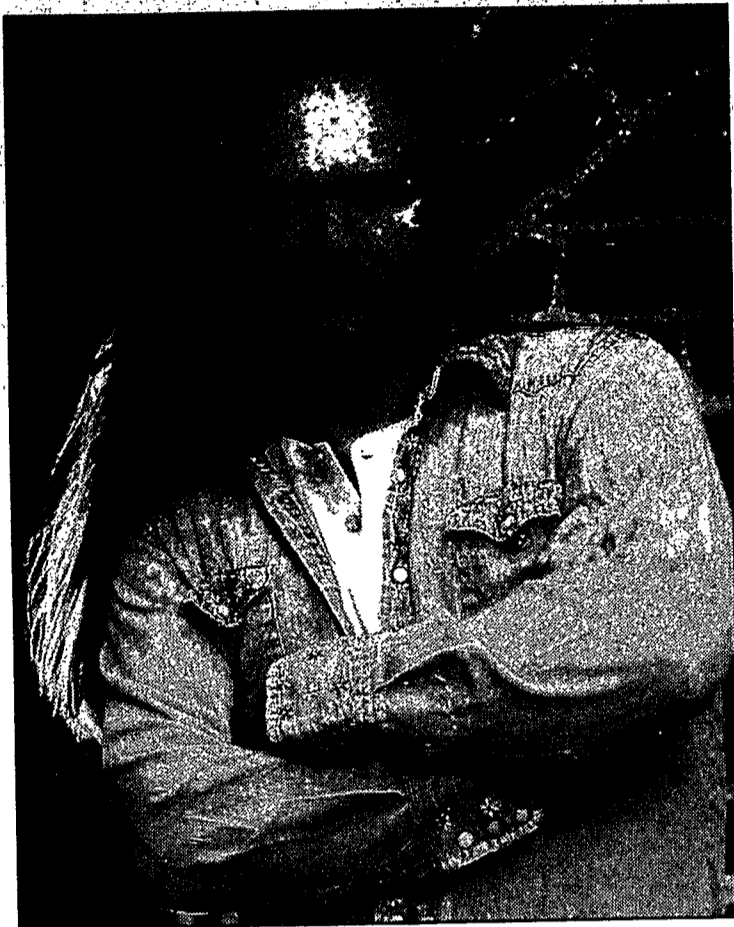
Country superstar Travis Tritt comes to Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Friday, April 4 at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$34.95, \$39.95 and \$44.95 and are available at the Casino Magic Box Office or at any Ticketmaster location.

Tritt has been one of the leading new country singers since the early '90s, holding his own with the likes of Garth Brooks, Clint Black, and Alan Jackson.

He was the only one not to wear a hat and the only one to dip into blues Southern rock. Consequently, he developed a gutsy, outlaw image that distinguished him from the pack, and earned him a string of platinum albums and Top Ten singles, including three number one hits.

Tritt fell in love with music as a child, teaching himself how to play guitar when he was eight and beginning to write songs when he was 14.

Tritt was determined to have a musical career but his parents didn't encourage him to follow his instincts. When he was 18, he tried to settle down, work and have a family but



Travis Tritt

he was unsuccessful -- he was married and divorced twice before he was 22. He continued to play music while working various jobs,

including one at an air-conditioning company. The company's vice-president was a guitarist who gave up hopes of a musical career

and he urged Tritt to follow his dreams. Tritt quit his job and began pursuing a music career full-time.

In 1989, Warner Brothers' Nashville division signed Tritt and his debut album, Country Club, appeared in the stores in the spring 1990. It was preceded by the Top Ten hit, "Country Club." His next two singles, "Help Me Hold On" and "I'm Gonna Be Somebody," hit number one and two respectively.

As he was becoming one of country music's most recognizable voices, Tritt was also becoming one of the genre's most visible entertainers. He won the Country Music Association's Horizon Award and a Grammy for his work with Marty Stuart. That partnership led to several chart-topping hits, as well as the acclaimed "No Hats" tour.

Tritt can be seen in the made-for-TV movie "Rio Diablo," "The Cowboy Way," "Sgt. Bilko" and HBO's "Tales From The Crypt." He also performed as half-time entertainment for the 1993 Super Bowl; and was on "The Rhythm, Country & Blues" album singing with

Patti LaBelle. His autobiography, "Ten Feet Tall And Bulletproof," was released in conjunction with the album of the same name.

In the summer of 1999, after 10 years with the label, Travis asked to be released from Warner Bros. and also spent some quality time at home with his wife, Theresa, and their children, Tyler and Tristan. After taking a couple years off, Tritt is back with a new album, "Strong Enough" and on the road again.

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2 LOTS ENGMAN AVE., 2ND Block from north beach. Cedar Point, BSL. Call Sherry Powell. 671-9218, cell.

7 WOODED ACRES CONV TO I-10, \$5,000 per ac. Waterfront lots \$12,000 up. Call for details. Key Properties, 467-0600.

NICE WATERFRONT LOT in Shoreline Park, \$15,000. Owner finance \$3000 down, \$255/month, 5 years. Owner/agent. 669-4444 or 255-0403.

OWNER FINANCE: NICE BUILDING LOT, Pine Ridge, Waveland, \$19,000. Gold Coast, 228-467-4479.

WHITE CYPRESS LAKES: OWNER financing. Beautiful acreage lots, waterfront, trailer lots, pool, clubhouse, tennis courts, and fishing. Ten miles east of I-59, Carriere exit. Thirty miles from Bay St. Louis. 228-255-1790.

158 Commercial Property

2 COMMERCIAL LOTS FOR SALE: 100'x200' total, on Hwy. 603. \$43,900 for both. 467-9545 or 468-2505.

OFFICE & RETAIL SPACE available: Choctaw Village, Waveland MS. Phone 228-255-4396 or Pager 228-883-8554.

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT: 910 Hwy 90 approx 1100. \$495/month + deposit. 467-7346

PRUDENTIAL GARDNER: Excellent office location, 1015 Hwy. 90. 2 units available. Close to Hancock Medical Center. Terms negotiable. Call for info./appointment. 467-1602.

159 Houses For Sale

BEAUTIFUL 2500 SQ. FT 4BR/3BA home in Diamondhead. Totally remodeled throughout. Formal living room, dining room, and great room. New ceramic tile flooring and new carpet. Across from golf course. Asking \$179,950 Call Elton 1-800-927-4593.

CUTE, CUTE, CUTE! Total Remodel! Everything new! 3BR/2BA near beach, Waveland. Large lot, quiet street. 410 West 4th. \$87,000. (985)863-3020.

GRANDMA'S HSE: HI CEILINGS, lg. rms., seldom traveled street, \$85,000. Pass Christian: 2 bdrm 2 ba country home, cmtl h/a, 6 acres, \$56,900. Country: lg. 3 bdrm raised home cmtl h/a, \$55,500. Key Properties, Inc. 467-0600.

"HAPPILY EVER AFTER LAND" Nestled among a lot of trees. This charming bit of paradise on the water can be your own private retreat. Lots of amenities. Won't last long. \$99,500. Sherry Powell. Cell 671-9218

I WILL PAY TOP \$ FOR YOUR PROPERTY, any condition. Will pay all closing cost. Agents protected. O/A, (504)908-7653.

WALK TO BEACH: 1 ACRE PLUS, 1br/1ba, new ac, \$57,300. 120 Cedar Point Road off Dunbar. Gold Coast, 228-467-4479.

WAVELAND BEACH, BEST BUY, Waterview, handicapped, 3BR/2BA, extra 2-story add on, 2,000/sq ft, \$79,500. Might finance. 211 Hillcrest. 467-1746 evenings.

161 Condo Rental/Sale

FURNISHED CONDO FOR SALE: One block off beach, 201D Coleman Ave., Waveland. 2bedroom/1bath, carport/storage room, \$89,900. Owner finance. Call 985-641-5514.

Public Notices

FORM 1C. SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI VS. RACHEL LEE SMITH PLAINTIFF VS. JASON WAYNE SMITH DEFENDANT

CAUSE NO. 2002-138 SUMMONS TO: JASON WAYNE SMITH Defendant, You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this court by Rachel Lee Smith, seeking a divorce on the grounds of Habitual use of Drugs, Habitual Cruelty, or in the alternative, irreconcilable Differences.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO MAIL OR HAND DELIVER A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION TO BREHM BELL, ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF, whose office and street address is 125 Court Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, 39520. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THE 22ND DAY OF MARCH 2003. THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS, IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

YOU MUST ALSO FILE THE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THIS COURT WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME AFTERWARD.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING The Waveland Housing Authority is having a public meeting to discuss the Annual Plan for March 12, 2003 at 2:00 P.M. at the Housing Authority office, 500 Camille Circle. The Plan can be inspected at the office during normal business hours. 03/06, 03/09/03

LOOK ON THE WEB SEA COAST ECHO LEGAL NOTICES
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Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARJORIE KAY WILLIAMS, DECEASED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 30th day of December, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator upon the Estate of Marjorie Kay Williams, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the clerk of this court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred. This the 25th of February, 2003.

SIGNED: VERNON O. WILLIAMS, Administrator
William W. Dreher, Jr.
Deputy Clerk
P.O. Box 968
2224-24th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi 39502
Tel. 228-822-2222
Fax 228-822-2626
MSB #10117
02/27, 03/06, 03/13/03

THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI EQUICREDIT CORP. OF AMERICA, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO PLAZA MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC. PLAINTIFF VERSUS SPONSOR: MICHAEL RAYBURN, ESQ. DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO: Any and all persons having or claiming any right, title or equitable interest in: 2209 Highway 43, Piquemore, MS 39466, more particularly described as:

A parcel of land situated in the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 28, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, and being more fully described as follows: Commencing at the SW corner of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 28, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, said point being the south line of Section 28 a distance of 757.30 feet to a point on the SE margin of Highway 43; said point being the SE corner of property conveyed to Roland Cuevas, on of Highway 43 a distance of 629.57 feet to a point of Beginning, said point being South 01° 54' 33" East 400.00 feet from the SE corner property conveyed to Roger Dale Cuevas; thence West 384.56 feet to a point; thence North 01° 54' 33" West 340.00 feet to a point; thence East 384.56 feet to a point on the West margin of Highway 43; said point being the SE corner of property conveyed to Roger Dale Cuevas; thence South 01° 54' 33" East along the West margin of Highway 43 a distance of 340.00 feet to a point of beginning. Said property being one and the same conveyed to Gene Cuevas in that certain Warranty Deed dated August 31, 1989, which appears of record in the Land Deed Record of Hancock County, Mississippi, Book BB196, Page 332.

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this court by Equicredit Corp. of America, as successor in interest to Plaza Mortgage Company, Inc., Plaintiff, seeking to correct the legal description due to a scrivener's error. Gene Cuevas, Defendant, is the owner of the property described above. If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this property, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Confirm Title within thirty (30) days from the 6th day of March, 2003, which is the date of the first publication of this summons, to the attorney for the Plaintiff, Kelly Michael Rayburn, Esq., whose address is Post Office Box 2566, Gulfport, Mississippi 39505. OTHERWISE, IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A RESPONSE, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO MAIL OR HAND DELIVER A COPY OF A WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE COMPLAINT FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION TO: Eric D. Wooten, Esq., Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is Allen Vaughn, Cobb and Hood, P.A. One Hancock Plaza, Post Office Drawer 4108, Gulfport, MS 39502.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE FEBRUARY 27, 2003, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

YOU MUST ALSO FILE THE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH THE CLERK OF THIS COURT WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME AFTERWARD.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT, this 24th day of February, 2003.

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
Hancock County, Mississippi
By: Pamela Cuevas D C
02/27, 03/06, 03/13/03

NOTICE TO CREDITORS MARY CLARE CASE SKAGGS, DECEASED NO. 2003-148

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 25th day of February, 2003, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Mary Clare Case Skaggs, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. This 25th day of February, 2003.

HIRAM M. SKAGGS, Administrator
Of Estate of Mary Clare Case Skaggs, Deceased
FAVRE, GENIN & SCARFIE
Attorneys at Law
P.O. Box 70
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
02/27, 03/06, 03/13/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY CLARE CASE YAMBRA, DECEASED HIRAM M. SKAGGS JOHNN H. SKAGGS CYNTHIA S. SCURRIA AND JEFFREY H. SKAGGS PETITIONERS VS. THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARY CLARE CASE SKAGGS, DECEASED DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. 2003-148 SUMMONS TO: THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARY CLARE CASE SKAGGS, DECEASED, YOU ARE UNKNOWN TO THE PLAINTIFFS. YOUR NAMES, POST OFFICE AND STREET ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY. YOU HAVE BEEN MADE DEFENDANTS IN THE LAWSUIT FILED IN THIS COURT BY HIRAM M. SKAGGS, JOHNN H. SKAGGS, CYNTHIA S. SCURRIA AND JEFFREY H. SKAGGS, PETITIONERS, SEEKING ADJUDICATION AND DETERMINATION OF THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MARY CLARE CASE SKAGGS.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 15TH DAY OF APRIL, 2003, IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, ANNEX AT 306 HIGHWAY 90, BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND IN THE PETITION. YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANSWER OR OTHER PLEADING BUT YOU MAY DO SO IF YOU DESIRE. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2003.

(SEAL) Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk of Court Pamela R. Cuevas Deputy Clerk 03/06, 03/13, 03/20/03

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PLAINTIFF KATHERINE KOONS VERSUS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, SECRETARY OF STATE; HANCOCK COUNTY, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; CONO CARANNA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY; WILLIAM J. LUS, JR., WILHELMINA LUSOY, JR.; HAVING OR CLAIMING A LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN LOT 12, BLOCK 13, CLEMENHOY HARBOR, A SUBDIVISION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, RESPONDENTS

CASE NO. 2003-178 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: Secretary of State c/o Mike Moore, Attorney General, Hancock County, Board of Supervisors, Cono Caranna, District Attorney, William J. Lus, Jr., Wilhelmina Lusoy, Jr. and All Persons Having or Claiming a Legal or Equitable Interest in the Property Described Above

This is a suit by Katherine Koons to confirm her title in that certain property described above, and as more fully set out in the Complaint for Confirmation of Title which is on file in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi in the above case number. If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this property, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Confirm Title within thirty (30) days from the 6th day of March, 2003 which is the date of the first publication of this summons, to the attorney for the Plaintiff, Kelly Michael Rayburn, Esq., whose address is Post Office Box 2566, Gulfport, Mississippi 39505. OTHERWISE, IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A RESPONSE, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the date of the first publication of this summons. The address of the Clerk of this Court is P.O. Box 429, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521 (SEAL)

Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk Hancock County, Mississippi By: Pamela Cuevas Deputy Clerk 03/06, 03/13, 03/20/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PLAINTIFF KATHERINE KOONS VERSUS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, SECRETARY OF STATE; HANCOCK COUNTY, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; CONO CARANNA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY; DIAMONDHEAD CORP.; AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING A LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN LOT 20, BLOCK 12, SHORELINE PARK UNIT 7, ADD 3, A SUBDIVISION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, RESPONDENTS

CASE NO. 2003-179 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: Secretary of State c/o Mike Moore, Attorney General, Hancock County, Board of Supervisors, Cono Caranna, District Attorney, William J. Lus, Jr., Wilhelmina Lusoy, Jr. and All Persons Having or Claiming a Legal or Equitable Interest in the Property Described Above

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Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk Hancock County, Mississippi By: Pamela Cuevas Deputy Clerk 03/06, 03/13, 03/20/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PLAINTIFF KATHERINE KOONS VERSUS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, SECRETARY OF STATE; HANCOCK COUNTY, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; CONO CARANNA, DISTRICT ATTORNEY; E.E. EDWARDS; JOHN GROVER AND ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING A LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN LOT 31, BLOCK 12, SHORELINE PARK UNIT 7, ADD 3, A SUBDIVISION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, RESPONDENTS

CASE NO. 2003-180 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION TO: Secretary of State c/o Mike Moore, Attorney General, Hancock County, Board of Supervisors, Cono Caranna, District Attorney, William J. Lus, Jr., Wilhelmina Lusoy, Jr. and All Persons Having or Claiming a Legal or Equitable Interest in the Property Described Above

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Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk Hancock County, Mississippi By: Pamela Cuevas Deputy Clerk 03/06, 03/13, 03/20/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PLAINTIFF LOIS V. RAGUSA VS. JENNIE N. HOLT, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

PUBLICATION SUMMONS TO: (A) Jennie N. Holt, if alive, whose last known address and whose present address, both post office address and street address, are unknown; after diligent search and inquiry, and if dead, the unknown heirs at law or devisees of Jennie N. Holt, whose names, post office and street addresses are unknown; after diligent search and inquiry, (B) any and all other persons having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in the following land:

Lot 47, 48 and 49, Block 13, WAVELAND HIGHLANDS SUBDIVISION, City of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You have been made a Defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Lois V. Ragusa, Plaintiff, whose address is c/o Favre, Genin & Scarfie, P.O. Box 70, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520.

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PLAINTIFF LOIS V. RAGUSA VS. JENNIE N. HOLT, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI PLAINTIFF LOIS V. RAGUSA VS. JENNIE N. HOLT, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

The complaint filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title.

You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the complaint, and, in addition, a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to Favre, Genin & Scarfie, complainants' attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 70, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 6TH DAY OF MARCH, 2003, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIE

Public Notices

HEREAS, on May 10, 2000, Joseph E. Scalfide, Jr. and Treva M. Scalfide, the Executors of the Deed of Trust to David M. Neal, Sr., Trustee, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned to Laurie V. Neal and Maria Doris Cook, or survivor, were the Book and Page 425 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi; and
 WHEREAS, Maria Doris Cook substituted John A. Scalfide, Jr. as Trustee of said Deed of Trust, and David Neal, Jr. named as Trustee in the original Deed of Trust as evidenced by Substitution of Trustee dated November 12, 2002 and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in said Deed Trust Book 724, Pages 695-697; and
 WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust is in full force and the terms and conditions of said Deed of Trust and the same have been duly performed by said Trust and the same are declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and the said Maria Doris Cook, the legal owner of said Deed of Trust, having released the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust and the undersigned Substituted Trustee, together with attorney's fees and expenses, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense sale;
 NOW, THEREFORE, I, John A. Scalfide, Jr., undersigned Trustee in said Deed of Trust, will on or about the 11th day of March, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, and will sell with legal title to be delivered to the buyer at 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at the front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property presently owned by being in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
 Lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Square 8000, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 8, Hancock County, Mississippi
 AND I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
 WITNESSED this 11th day of February, 2003.
 JOHN A. SCALFIDE, JR.
 Substituted Trustee
 02/13/03 02:27, 03/06/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
OF THE PROPERTY OF THE
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 11th day of December, 2001, Mary Ann Patton, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust, to the Hancock County Trustee, ESQ. Trustee for Aames Funding Corporation DBA Aames Home Loan, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness herein described, which Deed of Trust is on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk in the County of Hancock, Mississippi in Book 671 at Page 474; and
WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of December, 2001, the said Aames Funding Corporation DBA Aames Home Loan, assigned said Deed of Trust unto The Provident Bank, by instrument recorded in the office of the said Chancery Clerk in Book 671 at Page 50; and
WHEREAS on the 20th day of November, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed as Trustee, James H. Williams, III, as Trustee, a Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in the Book 730 at Page 64; and
WHEREAS, delinquent payments have been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned to sell the property secured by said Deed of Trust, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:
Lot 19-47 (34), Block Thirteen (13), Unit 2, LOT 19-47, DIAMONDHEAD, Phase Two (2), a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk in the County of Hancock, Mississippi, Book 671 at Page 30-32 thereof, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.
And the sum of such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee

West along the line between the Protestant Episcopal Church and the State of Maryland, a distance of 132 43 feet to a stake set on the West line of Lot 42 of the above mentioned Block 61, thence South 4 degrees 55 minutes East, a distance of 120 feet to a stake set on the West line of Lot 42 between Lots 42 and 43, a distance of 120 feet to a corner fence post, thence South 89 degrees 50 minutes East a distance of 120 feet to the place of beginning of said Subdivision of Lots 38, 39, 40, 41, and 42, Block 61 Bay St. Louis Land and Improvement Company's Subdivision of part of the Bay St. Louis Land and Improvement Company's First Addition to the City of Bay St. Louis and Waverly Land as per the official plat of said subdivision on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Witness my hand and seal this 23rd day of May, 1902.

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
JOHN M. SIGNATURE
FELIX M. MORRIS, III
WITNESS C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
2309 OLIVER RD
BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39201
"118-330-9020"
MF02-1052
02/27 03/06, 03/13 03/20/03

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2001, Harold J. Martineau and Teresa B. Martineau executed a promissory note for \$36,000.00 to First American Title Insurance Company as Trustee for the benefit of First Union National Bank of Delaware, which Debt to said Trust was recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, on or about April 1, 2002 First Union National Bank of Delaware, Chapter No. 2255, changed to Wacovba Bank of Delaware, National Association, and

WHEREAS, Wacovba Bank of Delaware, National Association, I/k/a First Union National Bank of Delaware, the holder of said Debt of Trust and the Note secured thereby, substituted Nicholas M. Hasse as Trustee therein, as authorized by the Board of Directors of said Bank, and the instrument dated December 24, 2003 and recorded in Book 741, Page 502 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, said debt, having been made in all terms and conditions of said Debt of Trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable and the same is now due and payable to Wacovba Bank of Delaware, National Association I/k/a First Union National Bank of Delaware, having requested that

February, 2003
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
2309 OLIVER RD
MONROE, LA 71201
318-330-9002
attorney for J. Ward Conville
02/20, 02/27, 03/06, 03/13/03

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 14th Day of April, A.D. 2000, Carl W. Saltzman and Gladys E. Saltzman, Husband and wife, executed a certain Deed of Trust, recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk at Jackson County, Mississippi, in and to which William F. Jones, Trustee, Union Planters Bank National Association, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described which Deed of Trust is recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk at Jackson County, Mississippi in the Deed of Trust Record Book 588 at Page 95; and
WHEREAS, on the 10th of Day of January, A.D. 2003, J. Ward Conville, Substituted Trustee as Substituted Trustee, which instrument is recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk at Jackson County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Record Book 588 at Page 423; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of a portion of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust having declared all of the amount due and having requested this sale for the purpose of paying said indebtedness or as much thereof as said sale brings;
NOW, THEREFORE, J. Ward Conville, Substituted Trustee, will on the 14th Day of March, 2003, within lawful hours, being between the hours of 11:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 p.m., sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, at the Main Door of the Bay Saint Louis Courthouse located in the City of Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described real property situated and being in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows to-wit:
Block 12, Block 13, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit No. 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk at Jackson County, Mississippi, together with all improvements and appurtenances thereon and belonging
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee
Witness my signature on this, the 7th Day of February, A.D. 2003.
J. Ward Conville
Substituted Trustee

WILL CONVEY any such title as is vested in said decedent to the undersigned, in and to WESSMYS MY SIGNATURE, this the 18th day of February, 2003.

John C. Underwood, Jr.
Subscribed and sworn to before me on 02/20/2003
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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on April 13, 2001, Timothy Williams and Sarah Buchanan, the undersigned, jointly and severally, executed a certain deed of trust to Robert R. Materson, Jr., Trustee for the benefit of MID-SOUTH INVESTMENT CORP., which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk in Hancock County, Tennessee, in Case No. 02-237, at Page 237 and at Page 503 and re-recorded in Case No. 02-237, at Page 630 at Page 628; and

WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to the undersigned, ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. by instrument dated August 27, 2002 and recorded in Case No. 712 at Page 209 and by instrument dated February 3, 2003 and recorded in Case No. 712 at Page 203, and the undersigned, ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. has heretofore succeeded to the duties and responsibilities of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and

WHEREAS, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. has heretofore succeeded to the duties and responsibilities of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Case No. 741 at Page 425; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to sell the property described in said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, and the undersigned, attorney-at-law, has been designated as the agent of said Substituted Trustee for the purpose of selling said property at public sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. Gary Massey, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on March 21, 2003 offer for sale at public sale, the highest and best bid for cash for the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

PHASE 2, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Tennessee, in Case No. 02-237, at Page 237 and at Page 503 and re-recorded in Case No. 02-237, at Page 630 at Page 628, beginning at the intersection of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, to the southeast corner of the intersection of the highest and best bid for cash for the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

PHASE 2, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Tennessee, in Case No. 02-237, at Page 237 and at Page 503 and re-recorded in Case No. 02-237, at Page 630 at Page 628, beginning at the intersection of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, to the southeast corner of the intersection of the highest and best bid for cash for the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

ance with the terms and conditions of the sums due thereunder
 to the said Substituted Trustee by the said Nicholas M. Haas,
 as attorney for the said Associates Home Ecological Services, Inc.,
 and by the said Associates Home Ecological Services, Inc.,
 and by the said Substituted Trustee, together with the said
 fees and expenses of said sale. Substitution of Trustee
 NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nicholas M. Haas, Substituted Trustee,
 do hereby certify that on or about March 14, 2003 after the
 sale at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (between the hours
 of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) of the land front side
 of the intersection of the Courthouse in Bay
 Louis, Mississippi, the following described property
 Lot 16, Block 20, Unit 10, Diamondhead,
 according to the map of plat thereof recorded
 in Plat Book 4 at Pages 60-63, inclusive, in
 the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County,
 Mississippi.
 That the above described property is believed
 to be good, but I will convey only such title
 vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
 WITNESS my signature on this the 14th day
 of March, 2003.
 Nicholas M. Haas
 Substituted Trustee
 624 Highway 90
 Waveland, Mississippi 39576
 Telephone No (228) 467-3935
 THIS DOCUMENT PREPARED BY
 DYKE, HENRY, GOLDSHOLL & WINZLER
 P.C.,
 555 Plaza West - 415 North McKinley
 Little Rock, Arkansas 72205
 Telephone No. (501) 661-1000
 FAX No. (501) 661-0295
 02/20, 02/27, 03/03, 03/14/03

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
 WHEREAS, on October 30, 2000, Douglas
 McGowen, Jr. and Angela M. McGowen, executed
 a certain deed of trust to Joseph Kelly, Trustee,
 for the benefit of Associates Home Ecological
 Services, which deed of trust is of record in the
 office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County,
 State of Mississippi in Book 609 at Page 69
 and
 WHEREAS, Chancery Home Mortgage Company,
 Inc., f/k/a Associates Home Ecological Services,
 has assigned the deed of trust to Joseph Kelly, Trustee,
 by instrument dated April 15, 2002 and recorded
 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book
 689 at Page 26, and re-recorded in Book 69
 at Page 1.
 WHEREAS, default having been made in the
 terms and conditions of said deed of trust and in
 entire debt secured thereby having been
 declared in default of said deed of trust in ac-
 cordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Chancery Home
 Mortgage Company, Inc., the legal holder of said
 indebtedness, having requested the undersigned
 Substituted Trustee to execute the terms of said
 said land and property in accordance with the
 terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of
 raising the sums due thereunder, together with

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on October 27, 1998, Reginald W. Smith and, Linda Smith, the husband and wife, jointly executed a deed of trust to Charles Jackson, Jr., Trustee for the benefit of No. American Mortgage Company, which deed of trust is of record in the Public Records of Hancock County, State of Mississippi Book 572 at Page 148, and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was subsequently assigned to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. by instrument dated June 28, 2002 and recorded in Book 713 at Page 272 of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's office; and
WHEREAS, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. has heretofore sold said Gary Massey as Trustee by instrument dated February 19, 2003 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 743 at Page 354; and
WHEREAS, default having been made in terms and conditions said deed of trust and entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms said deed of trust, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. the legal holder of said indebtedness, has requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and said land and property be sold according to the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising sums due thereunder, together with attorney fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale
NOW KNOW YE, that Gary Massey, said Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on March 28, 2003 offer for sale at public outcry and within legal hours (being between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) with the terms of the County Courthouse of Hancock County located at Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
Lot Thirteen (13), PEACAN PARK SUBDIVISION, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plat of said subdivision recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 7, page 20, and
I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on February 19, 2003.

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Shapiro & Massey, L.L.P.
1190 Lakeland Drive, Suite B
Jackson, MS 39216
(601) 881-9225
03/03, 33/13; 03/20; 0327/203

as Substituted Trustee
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on February 23,
2003.
J. Gary Massey SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Shapiro & Massey, L.L.P.
1910 Lakeland Drive, Suite B
Jackson, MS 39216
(801) 961-9299
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